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BIRTHS.

On the 17th October, at Limehouse, London, Mrs. FREDERICK KOBEY, of a daughter.

On the 4th instant, at Armidale, New England, the wife of A. C. BAYLEY, Esq., of a son.

On the 19th instant, at her residence, Market-street, Mrs. C. TREND, of a daughter.

On the 21st instant, at her residence, No. 90, Bathurst-street, Mrs. GODFREY ALEXANDER, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

On the 14th instant, at St. Barnabas Church, Sydney, by the Rev. Thomas Smith, CHARLES FREDERICK, third son of Mr. GEORGE DAVIS, of Goulburn, to SUSAN JANE, eldest daughter of Mr. STEPHEN CHISLETT, of Newtown.

On the 20th instant, at St. Philip's Church, by the Very Rev. the Dean of Sydney, CHARLES F. LAMB, youngest son of the late Mr. George Lamb, to ELIZA MARGARET, youngest daughter of THOMAS DAY, Esq., Pyrmont.

DEATHS.

On the 13th of October, at Rouen, ANNA, widow of the late Captain DANIEL JAMES WOODRIFF, R.N., and mother of the late Daniel James Woodriff, Esq., Parramatta, aged 76.

On the 15th instant, at Little Hartley, of dysentery, MARTHA JANE, youngest daughter of Mr. WILLIAM PETTIT, of the same place, aged 1 year and 6 months.

On the 19th instant, at his residence, George-street, Windsor, Mr. ROBERT STEWART, in his fifty-eighth year. A resident of the town for upwards of thirty-years, and highly respected by all who knew him.

On the 19th instant, at the residence of his parents, Pine-street, Shepherd's Paddock, GEORGE, the infant son of JOHN and ISABELLA BURNES, age 1 year and 5 months.

On the 22nd instant, at his parents' residence, 147, Pitt-street, LEONARD, infant son of FRANZ HILLMAN and MARY NEROS, aged 4 months.

SHIP ADVERTISEMENTS.

OVERLAND ROUTE TO ENGLAND.—The PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship MADRAS, 1250 tons, 275-horse power, A. B. Farquhar, commander, will be dispatched for GALLE, with her Majesty's mails, passengers, specie, and cargo, on MONDAY, the 22nd January, 1866, at 2 p.m., touching at MELBOURNE and KING GEORGE'S SOUND.

Cargo will be received until 5 p.m. on the 19th, and specie and parcels until noon of the 20th.

For particulars regarding freight and passage, with information on all subjects connected with the PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Lines, apply to HENRY MOORE, Agent.

Moore's Wharf, Sydney, 22nd December, 1865.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

The steamers belonging to this Company start immediately after the arrival of the Mail at Alexandria.

Passage money from Alexandria to Trieste, £15.

Passengers can be booked in Sydney at the office of the undersigned, from whom all particulars can be obtained.

MONTEFIORES and TE KLOOT, Exchange-corner.

STEAM TO AUCKLAND DIRECT.—PANAMA NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIAN ROYAL MAIL COMPANY'S STEAMSHIP PRINCE ALFRED, H. S. Machin, commander, will be dispatched for AUCKLAND, with the English Mail (if arrived), January 15th, taking cargo and passengers for NAPIER.

For freight or passage apply at the Company's Office, Grafton Wharf.

JOHN VINE HALL, General Manager.

NEW ZEALAND GOLD FIELDS.—PANAMA NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP TARARUA, J. Gardyne, commander, will be dispatched for NELSON, PICTON, WELLINGTON, CANTERBURY, OTAGO, BLUFF, and MELBOURNE,

Taking cargo and passengers for TARANAKI, and passengers for NAPIER,

MONDAY, January 15th, at noon.

Parcels will not be received on day of sailing.

For freight or passage apply at the Company's Office, Grafton Wharf.

JOHN VINE HALL, General Manager.

HOKITIKA GOLD-FIELDS.—The Panama, New Zealand, and Australian Royal Mail Company's Steamship CLAUD HAMILTON, will be dispatched for NELSON, PICTON, WELLINGTON, CANTERBURY, and OTAGO, taking passengers and cargo for HOKITIKA, about December 28.

For freight and passage apply at the Company's office, Grafton Wharf.

JOHN VINE HALL, General Manager.

QUEENSLAND STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMSHIP QUEENSLAND, will be dispatched on THURSDAY, 28th December, at 6 p.m., for BRISBANE AND IPSWICH, and thence without transhipment to MARYBOROUGH, GLADSTONE, and ROCKHAMPTON.

For particulars of freight and passage, apply to W. WESTGARTH, Manager.

Q. S. N. Co.'s Wharf, Sussex-street.

THE AUSTRALASIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMSHIPS.

To MELBOURNE.—WONGA WONGA, WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, at 5; and CITY OF ADELAIDE, SATURDAY AFTERNOON, at 5.

Fares—Saloon, £5 10s., return ticket, £9. Steerage, £2.

To HUNTER RIVER.—COONANBARA, TONIGHT, SATURDAY, at 11; and COLLAROY, MONDAY NIGHT, at 11.

To PATERSON RIVER.—Goods received, and forwarded per COONANBARA, on SATURDAY NIGHT.

To MANNING RIVER.—SAMSON, 24 hours after arrival.

To BRISBANE.—DIAMANTINA, THIS AFTERNOON, SATURDAY, at 3.30; and CITY OF BRISBANE, WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, at 3.30.

To MARYBOROUGH.—EAGLE, WEDNESDAY, 3rd January, 1866, at 5 p.m.

To ROCKHAMPTON.—YARRA YARRA THIS AFTERNOON, SATURDAY, at 6.

To PIONEER RIVER.—YARRA YARRA will take cargo, to be transhipped at Rockhampton per Williams.

To GLADSTONE.—RANGATIRA, WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, at 6.

To PORT DENISON via GLADSTONE.—RANGATIRA, WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, at 6.

From BRISBANE to ROCKHAMPTON, calling at MARYBOROUGH and GLADSTONE.—LEICHARDT, TUESDAY, 26th instant.

From ROCKHAMPTON to PIONEER RIVER and PORT DENISON.—WILLIAMS, about 27th instant.

Cargo is now being received for transmission to any of the above ports. SAMUEL CLARK, Manager.

A. S. N. Co.'s Wharf, Sussex-street.

H. R. N. S. N. CO.—STEAM to the HUNTER.—On MONDAY MORNING, at 7, the CITY OF NEWCASTLE.

On TUESDAY NIGHT, at 11, the MORPETH.

F. J. THOMAS, Manager.

Offices—foot of Market-street.

HUNTER RIVER NEW STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.—Steam to and from the Hunter until the 30th December inclusive.

FROM SYDNEY.

On MONDAY, at 7 a.m., the CITY OF NEWCASTLE.

On TUESDAY, at 11 p.m., the MORPETH.

On WEDNESDAY, at 7 a.m., the PATERSON to CLARENCE TOWN direct, via NEWCASTLE and RAYMOND TERRACE.

On THURSDAY, at 7 a.m., the CITY OF NEWCASTLE.

On FRIDAY, at 11 p.m., the MORPETH, calling at Martin's Wharf.

On SATURDAY, at 4 a.m., the PATERSON, meeting the 11.35 train at Newcastle.

Goods for Martin's Wharf received on FRIDAY.

Goods for the PATERSON received on TUESDAY.

Freight on goods for Martin's Wharf or the Paterson must be PAID in Sydney.

FROM MORPETH.

On MONDAY, at 7 a.m., the MORPETH.

On TUESDAY, at 2 p.m., the CITY OF NEWCASTLE.

On THURSDAY, at 7 a.m., the MORPETH.

On THURSDAY, at 2 p.m., the PATERSON.

On FRIDAY, at 2 p.m., the CITY OF NEWCASTLE.

On SATURDAY, at 4 p.m., the PATERSON.

ANNA MARIA, steamer, to PATERSON TOWNSHIP, on THURSDAY, at 6 a.m.

F. J. THOMAS, Manager.

Offices—foot of Market-street.

C. AND R. R. S. N. CO.'S STEAMSHIP URARA, for GRAFTON, CLARENCE RIVER, via NEWCASTLE, on WEDNESDAY, at 10 p.m.

WILLIAM WILLIAMS, Secretary.

STEAM to HOBART TOWN, calling at EDEN.—CITY OF HOBART, John Clinch, Commander, On or about WEDNESDAY, 3rd January.

Saloon	£8	0	0
Return ticket, available four months	13	0	0

WILLIS, MERRY, and CO.

WATSON'S BAY STEAMER, THIS DAY leaves Queen's Wharf 10.20, 2.20, and 6; Woolloomooloo 10.30, 2.30; Watson's Bay 8, 12, and 5. Fares, 1s.; return tickets, 1s. 6d. Children half-price.

DEAD WEIGHT for CALCUTTA, ironbark railway sleepers. W. W. BURT, 272, Pitt-street.

SHIP ADVERTISEMENTS.

ILLAWARRA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.—CHRISTMAS EXCURSIONS.

RETURN TICKETS at SINGLE FARES will be issued by this Company, available from Wednesday, the 20th instant, to Thursday, the 4th January, by their Steamers plying between Sydney and any of their ports of trade, viz.:—WOLLONGONG, KIAMA, SHOALHAVEN, ULLADULLA, CLYDE RIVER, MORUYA, and MERIMBULA.

By order of the Board.

Sydney, 8th December.

ILLAWARRA S. N. COMPANY'S STEAMERS TO

WOLLONGONG.—Illalong, on MONDAY, at 11 p.m.

KIAMA.—Illalong, on MONDAY, at 11 p.m.

SHOALHAVEN.—Illalong, on MONDAY, at 11 p.m.

CLYDE RIVER.—Kembla, on MONDAY, at 10 p.m.

MERIMBULA.—Hunter, on WEDNESDAY, at 10 a.m.

ULLADULLA.—Comerang, on FRIDAY, at noon.

MORUYA.—Comerang, on FRIDAY, at noon.

PARRAMATTA STEAMERS, AT HALF THE RAILWAY FARES,

ON WEEK DAYS:

From Parramatta...... at 7, 11, 1, and 3 o'clock.

From Phoenix Wharf .. at 9, 11, 1, and 5 ditto.

ON SUNDAYS:

From Parramatta........ at 7 a.m. and 4 p.m.

From Sydney............ at 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Refreshments on board.

PARRAMATTA RIVER STEAMERS.—At permanently Reduced Fares.

Commodious steamers ply daily, as follows:—

From Phoenix Wharf, to Hunter's Hill, Gladesville, and Ryde, at 7, 9, 11, 1, 3 30, 5, and 6* p.m.

From Ryde, at 7.40, 8 40, 11 40, 1.40, 3.40, 4.40.

From Gladesville, at 8, 9, 12, 2, 4, 5, and 6.45.

From Hunter's Hill, at 8.15, 9.15, 12.15, 2.15, 4.15, 5.15, and 7.

* To Hunter's Hill and Gladesville only.

Fares—From Sydney to Hunter's Hill, or Gladesville, cabin 1s, return 1s 6d; steerage 9d, return 1s 3d.

ON SUNDAY.

From Phoenix Wharf, at 9, *9.30, 2 30, and 6.

From Ryde, at 7.40, 4.40, and 5 30, calling at Gladesville and Hunter's Hill.

* To Hunter's Hill only, leaving that place at 10 a.m.

Children's return tickets, 6d, available for any part of the River, giving to families an opportunity for recreation at almost a nominal charge.

Refreshments on board.

PARRAMATTA RIVER STEAM COMPANY.—YSABEL leaves King-street, for Hunter's Hill and Tarban, nearest wharf to the Asylum, at 7, 8.45, 12.30, 4.15, and 6.

Leaves Tarban, 7.55, 9.30, 1.45, 5, 6.45.

On SATURDAYS, leaves King-street, 1.15 and 3 instead of 12.30, and 4.15; leaves Tarban, 4 instead of 5, and Sydney, at 11 p.m., returning 11.30.

Fares and freight at lowest rates.

On SUNDAYS, leaves King-street, 9, 1.15, 3.30, 5.45. Tarban, 9.55, 2.45, 4.55, 6.25. Cabin, return, 1s.

BRADLEY'S HEAD and ATHOL TEA GARDENS.—On SUNDAY, the steamer FERRY QUEEN leaves Queen's Wharf at 10.20, 2.20, and 4; Woolloomooloo, 10.30, 2.30; returning 12. 3 30, and 6. Fares 6d.

WATSON'S BAY STEAMER.—On SUNDAY the VESTA leaves

Circular Quay,	Watson's Bay,
10.30, 2.30.	12 and 5.30.

Return tickets, 1s.

WATSON'S BAY STEAMER.—On SUNDAY the HERALD leaves

Woolloomooloo,	Watson's Bay,
10.30, 2.45.	12 and 5.30.

Return tickets, 1s.

MANLY BEACH STEAMERS, THIS DAY.

Leave Queen's Wharf, 10.15, 2.30, 4 45.

Woolloomooloo, 10.30, 2.45.

Manly, 8, 11.45, 4, 5.45.

SUNDAY.

Same times, 8 a.m. from Manly, and 4.15 from Sydney, excepted.

Note.—On Monday next, Christmas-day, first boat leaves Queen's Wharf at 7 a.m. On Tuesday, Boxing-day, the boats will not run at their usual advertised hours.

S. H. WILSON.

FOR MACLEAY RIVER.—WOODPECKER, going to Kempsey and Warnetown, from Lime-st. Wharf.

DARKWATER CREEK, Macleay River.—Morning Star, This Afternoon. W. SHORT, Victoria Whf.

FOR RICHMOND RIVER, going to PELICAN TREE and LISMORE.—The schooner COMMERCE will receive cargo on WEDNESDAY. Wright's Wharf. WILLIAM WRIGHT.

FOR RICHMOND RIVER.—Brigantine CYCLONE, Duncan, master, will have immediate dispatch. For freight or passage apply to M. M. CAMPBELL, New Pitt-street.

FOR PORT MACQUARIE AND HASTINGS RIVER (going up to HURSLEY).—The clipper schooner CARNATION, J. Smith, master, on THURSDAY EVENING. O'DOWD and CO., Commercial Wf.

FOR BOWEN, PORT DENISON.—The fine schooner PRINCESS ALEXANDRA, will sail in a week. For freight or passage, apply to MOLISON and BLACK.

FOR ROCKHAMPTON.—The clipper WOODLARK, will have immediate dispatch.

LAIDLEY, IRELAND, and CO.

ONLY VESSEL for ALBERT RIVER.—The clipper schooner MARGARET AND MARY. Has room for a few tons if engaged at once.

LAIDLEY, IRELAND, and CO.

FOR THE GREY RIVER direct.—The fine schooner MARTHA, will clear at the Customs this day. Has only room for 20 tons of freight, for which, or passage, apply to MOLISON and BLACK, 17, Bridge-street.

FOR HOKITIKA.—The clipper schooner SARAH BAAR, will be immediately dispatched.

Apply to LAIDLEY, IRELAND, and CO., Lloyd's chambers.

FOR OKITIKI DIRECT.—The fine new colonial built schooner AMY ROBSART, will be dispatched in a few days.

For freight or passage, apply to MOLISON and BLACK, 17, Bridge-street.

ONLY VESSEL for DUNEDIN WHARF.—The regular trader SARAH PILE, will be dispatched in a week.

For freight or passage apply to MOLISON and BLACK, 17, Bridge-street.

NOTICE to SHIPPERS of STOCK to HOKITIKA, N.Z.—The clipper ship SHAH JEHAN, 1000 tons, now at NEWCASTLE, well and favourably known in the cattle trade, having all her fittings and water tanks complete, is about to proceed to the above port, and can take a few head of cattle if engaged at once. For particulars apply to LAILDEY, IRELAND, and CO., Lloyd's Chambers.

FOR HOKITIKA and GREY RIVER direct.—The fine schooner ELFIN, Milner, master, has had a thorough overhaul, and having portion of her cargo engaged, will sail on the 27th instant.

For freight only apply to JAMES WELSH, Circular Quay; or, to the Captain on board, at the Patent Slip.

FOR DUNEDIN WHARF direct.—The clipper schooner SUSANNAH BOOTH, Willing, master, will be dispatched on WEDNESDAY next.

For freight or passage apply to MOLISON and BLACK, 17, Bridge-street.

ONLY VESSEL for AUCKLAND.—The favourite regular trader KATE, P. Carter, commander, having the greater part of her cargo engaged, will be dispatched with her usual punctuality.

For freight or passage apply on board, at the Market Wharf; or to LAIDLEY, IRELAND, and CO., Lloyd's Chambers.

ONLY VESSEL FOR SAN FRANCISCO.—The favourite regular trader AUSTRALIND, A. Barrack, commander, being under charter will be quickly dispatched.

For further particulars apply to LAIDLEY, IRELAND, and CO., Lloyd's Chambers.

FOR LONDON.—TO FAMILIES AND PASSENGERS FOR ENGLAND.

The magnificent Black Ball Auxiliary Screw Steam Ship GREAT VICTORIA, 4000 tons, 500 horse power indicated, will Sail early in 1866 from SYDNEY FOR LONDON.

The superb deck saloons are, for elegance, comfort, convenience, and general arrangements, unequalled by any other ship in the Australian trade; and superior accommodation second cabin, intermediate, and steerage.

An experienced Surgeon accompanies the ship.

YOUNG, LARK, and BENNETT;

WILLIS, MERRY, and CO.

FOR LONDON.—The splendid clipper ship BOTANIST, A1 20 years, 1160 tons register, James Edgar, commander, has the whole of her dead weight on board, and is now receiving wool at Flood's Stores.

For terms of freight or passage, apply to WILLIS, MERRY, and CO., Pitt-street; or to YOUNG, LARK, and BENNETT, George and Margaret streets.

SHIP ADVERTISEMENTS.

BLACK BALL LINE OF CLIPPER SHIPS. For Wool and Passengers.

To sail 1st January,

For LONDON, the YOUNG ENGLAND, 5-6 L. 1.1 register veritas, 1017 tons, Alexander Clark, commander.

Wool received at Flood's Blackwall Stores.

YOUNG, LARK, and BENNETT;

WILLIS, MERRY, and CO.

FOR WOOL AND PASSENGERS.—For LONDON.—The new clipper ship GENERAL LEE, A1 at Lloyd's 14 years, now on first voyage, 987 tons register, William Cruikshank, commander. Wool received at Talbot's Stores.

YOUNG, LARK, and BENNETT;

WILLIS, MERRY, and CO.

ABERDEEN CLIPPER LINE.—For LONDON.—NOTICE TO PASSENGERS.—The following first-class vessels, making an average passage of eighty days, will be dispatched on or about the following dates:—

	Tons.	Commander.	
DAMASCUS	968	Murray	December
COLONIAL EMPIRE ..	1305	Ross	January
WALTER HOOD	918	Pirie	February
CENTURION	639	Largie	March.

The dietary arrangements are superior, and each vessel carries an experienced surgeon.

Apply to JACOB L. MONTEFIORE, Gresham-street.

ABERDEEN CLIPPER LINE.—For LONDON.—The A1 clipper ship DAMASCUS, 964 tons register, Robert Murray, commander, having nearly the whole of her wool engaged, will sail on the 2nd January.

For freight apply to Captain MURRAY, on board, at Circular Quay; or to JACOB L. MONTEFIORE.

TO PASSENGERS FOR LONDON.—The following first-class Passenger Ships will sail as under—

	Tons.	Commander.	
LA HOGUE	1490	Goddard.	15th Jan.
STRATHDON	1011	Pile ..	25th Jan.
STRATHNAVER (new ship)	1200	Stuart ..	1st March
JASON	878	Birnie ..	1st April.

For freight or passage apply to GILCHRIST, WATT, and CO., Agents.

FOR LONDON.—The LA HOGUE, William Goddard, commander, will sail on 15th January, 1866. Wool received at Marsden's stores.

For freight or passage apply on board; or to GILCHRIST, WATT, and CO.

TO PASSENGERS FOR LONDON.—To sail about the 20th JANUARY, 1866.—The fine A1 clipper ship ORWELL, 1200 tons, Henry Quin, commander, has splendid accommodation for passengers, the cabins being large and well ventilated. An experienced surgeon accompanies the ship.

For plans of cabins apply to J. B. METCALFE and CO., Agents, 9, Bridge-street.

FOR LONDON.—The A1 Aberdeen clipper ship COLONIAL EMPIRE, 1304 tons register, James Ross, commander, having the whole of her dead weight on board, and a large portion of her wool engaged, will have quick dispatch. Has excellent saloon and second-class accommodation. Carries an experienced surgeon.

Apply to Captain ROSS, on board, off the Circular Quay; or to JACOB L. MONTEFIORE, next Exchange.

FOR LONDON direct.—To follow the Liberator.—The first-class Aberdeen clipper barque ASIA, 400 tons, Captain Longmuir, having all her dead weight on board, and being a small ship, will be dispatched on the 20th proximo.

Wool received at Flood's Stores.

For freight or passage, apply on board to Captain LONGMUIR; or to LEARMONTH, DICKINSON, and CO., Charlotte-place.

FOR LONDON DIRECT.—

Notice to Passengers.

The magnificent ship PERSIA, Captain J. H. Smith, 3000 tons, the largest ship in the harbour, is now fast loading, and will sail early in JANUARY.

Passengers are requested to make their arrangements as soon as possible.

For terms of freight or passage apply to GEORGE A. LLOYD and CO., Agents, 364, George-street; or Captain SMITH, on board, at the Circular Quay.

FOR WOOL AND PASSENGERS ONLY.—For LONDON, to sail 10th January, 1866, the splendid A1 20 years clipper ship PHILOSOPHER, Alexander Ross, commander. Has the whole of her dead weight and a large portion of her wool on board. Wool received at Marsden's Stores.

SAUNDERS and CO., George-street,

FREDERICK EBSWORTH, New Pitt-street.

TO PASSENGERS for LONDON.—The magnificent clipper ship DUKE OF SUTHERLAND, 1047 tons register, Thomas Louttit, commander, will be dispatched EARLY IN FEBRUARY.

This splendid ship, built expressly for the Sydney trade, was launched in July of the present year. She has a full poop, and her passenger accommodation is not to be surpassed.

For terms of freight or passage, apply to WILLIS, MERRY, and CO., Pitt-street; or to YOUNG, LARK, and BENNETT, George and Margaret streets.

BLACKWALL LINE OF PACKETS from MELBOURNE to LONDON.—To sail on the 4th January, the splendid A1 clipper ship RESULT, 2000 tons, W. Stewart, R.N.R., commander.

The accommodations on board this fine ship, for all classes of passengers, are very superior.

An experienced surgeon accompanies the ship.

RATES FROM MELBOURNE.

First cabin, according to accommodation required.

Second ditto	£30
Third ditto	18 to £20
Steerage (open berths)	16.

J. B. METCALFE and CO., Agents, 9, Bridge-street.

SHIP CINDERELLA, from London.—If ENTRIES for the undermentioned goods are not passed before 10 o'clock TO-DAY, the goods will be entered, landed, and stored, at consignees' risk and expense:—

Miss Dalton—1 case, consigned as addressed.

W&Co. over H2—1 case, consigned to order.

SAUNDERS and CO., Agents.

SHIP NAOMI, from LONDON.—NOTICE to CONSIGNEES.—Unless Customs ENTRIES for the following goods are PASSED by 10 o'clock, THIS DAY, they will be cleared, landed, and stored at consignees' risk and expense:—

P in diamond over CSB—8 cases—shipped by Scotney and Earnshaw, consigned to order

M&C—19 cases ditto, ditto

RS—1 keg—shipped by D. and T. Warren, consigned to order.

JH&Co. in diamond—7 cases—shipped by J. Lazarus, consigned to order.

GILCHRIST, WATT, and CO., Agents.

SHIP FOR SALE, WITHOUT RESERVE.—The fine English-built barque RANGOON, 384 tons O.M., 420 tons N.M., will be sold, in Sydney, on or about the 31st day of December next, under a decree of the Vice-Admiralty Court of New South Wales (when obtained).

She is copper-fastened, and is unusually well found in spars, sails, and other tackle.

Has proved a fast sailer, and landed her English cargo, after experiencing very heavy weather, without a speck of damage.

Has well ventilated 'tween decks.

She will carry 650 tons coal.

Was valued in London at £4500.

For further particulars apply to Messrs. GILCHRIST, WATT, and CO., Margaret-street, Sydney.

FOR SALE, FREIGHT, or CHARTER, the steamship TASMANIA.

Apply to WILLIS, MERRY, and CO.

FOR SALE, by the undersigned, the brigs DERWENT and SEA NYMPH, both now at Market Wharf, discharging cargoes from Adelaide.

BEILBY and SCOTT, Agents.

FOR FREIGHT or CHARTER.—The clipper barque AILSA CRAIG, Captain Levison. DIBBS and CO., Custom House-buildings.

FOR FREIGHT or CHARTER, the schooner OSPREY. Apply to the Master, on board, Market Wharf.

TO SHIPOWNERS, AGENTS, EXCURSIONISTS, &c.—The H. R. N. S. N. Co.'s steamship PATERSON may be engaged for towage (long distances), excursion trips, &c. F. J. THOMAS, Manager.

TO CAPTAINS, SHIPOWNERS, and AGENTS.—Dry Dock, Waterview Bay, and Patent Slip, Sussex-street, can be engaged at either of the above establishments, or at the office of the undersigned.

The Slip, having been thoroughly renewed, is now capable of taking up vessels of 500 tons.

JOHN CUTHBERT, Ship Builder, &c., Cuthbert's Wharf.

PATENT SLIP WHARF.—The Lessee having newly planked the above wharf suitable for drays to load at ship's side, and opened an entrance on the level into Erskine-street, is prepared to receive vessels of any tonnage, the depth of water guaranteeing safety. Good and ample storage for goods. Patent Slip Wharf, Sussex-street.

UNITED Temperance Alliance.—Temperance MEETING, Sunday Afternoon, Hyde Park. J. Aspinall.

PERSONS ADVERTISED FOR

IF JAMES SMITH CUMMINGS will COMMUNICATE with the Rev. THOMAS SMITH, St. Barnabas, he can obtain the English LETTERS awaiting him.

IF MARY, the Wife of the undersigned (who left her home, Cherry Tree Hills, near Hartley, and who afterwards lived in service with John Oxley Norton), is living, she is hereby requested to communicate with her husband by the 1st of February, 1866. If not he will consider himself at liberty to remarry. It has been reported that the said woman was drowned about 18 months ago at the Lachlan.

Address W. PIKE, P. Wyche's, Penrith.

MR. SEBASTIAN ANDERSON, who left Calcutta about a year ago, and landed at either Melbourne or Sydney from the mail steamer, is requested to write to ARTHUR CUBITT, Missing Friends' Office, Bridge-street, Sydney, who has information of an important character to communicate.

NOTICE.—TRIPE and MONTAGUE.—If this should meet the eye of WILLIAM WATERFORD, son of Michael Waterford, formerly of Limpsfield, Surrey, England, or SAMUEL FINCH, of the same place, who arrived in this country the latter end of 1852, they will hear of something to their advantage by applying to R. W. WATERFORD, No. 4, Green-street, New-street, Kensington Road, London, England.

SHOULD this meet the eye of REUBEN KEAN, his WIFE is anxiously awaiting him at Mr. Jeffries', 3, Swan-street, Brickfield-hill.

SHOULD this meet the eye of THOMAS MALPRESS, please write immediately to your Brother JOHN MALPRESS, Plumber, No. 204, Parramatta-street, Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO.—Mr. BALE, passenger by the Australind, from San Francisco, please call again on the undersigned. A. Kirschbaum, chemist, 121, King-street East.

MR. ROBERT DUFF.—LETTERS for you at the Office of O'DOWD and CO., Commercial Wharf.

PATRICK GRIFFITHS—write to your sister Winnifred. Warren, P. O. School, Parramatta.

THE REV. WILLIAM TAYLOR, of California, will preach in the Wesleyan Church, Balmain, on SUNDAY MORNING, December 24th, at 11 o'clock.

WESLEYAN CHURCH, CHIPPENDALE.—The Rev. W. TAYLOR will (D.V.) PREACH, TOMORROW EVENING, at 7 o'clock. A Collection will be made for the Circuit Fund.

WESLEY CHURCH, CHIPPENDALE.—The FOUNDATION-STONE will (D.V.) be laid by Mrs. G. WIGRAM ALLEN, on New Year's Day, at 4 p.m.

A Public Tea Meeting at 6 p.m. (Particulars next week.)

JOSEPH WEARNE, Secretary.

WESLEYAN CHURCH, Waverley.—On SUNDAY next, 24th instant, TWO SERMONS will be preached in the above-named Church, on behalf of the Wesleyan Foreign Missionary Society. The Morning Sermon by the Rev. W. KELYNACK; the Evening Sermon by the Rev. JAMES BICKFORD. On the following THURSDAY, 28th instant, a Public MEETING will be held on behalf of the same object. Chair to be taken at 7.30 o'clock p.m. A collection will be made after each service on behalf of the funds of the Society.

WOOLLOOMOOLOO PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Palmer-street.—LECTURES on ROMANISM.—By request, the Rev. John M'Gibbon, B.A., will deliver the eleventh lecture of the series, TOMORROW EVENING. Subject: "An appeal to Catholic young men."

CHALMERS CHURCH.—SERMON by the Rev. Dr. WAZER BEG, on SABBATH, the 24th December, at 7 o'clock. Subject: "The Christmas festival—its origin."

YOUNG MEN'S Christian Reunion, in Temperance Hall, Pitt-street, Christmas-Day morning, 7 o'clock.

NEWTOWN SCHOOL OF ARTS.

A PUBLIC MEETING of the members and friends of the above will be held in the Hall of the Institution on TUESDAY, 2nd January, 1866.

Two propositions will be placed before the meeting.

First. To pass the property over to the Municipal Council. [illegible]

[illegible] trustees, and effect such a [illegible] of the premises as will preserve them for the purposes for which they were erected.

Chair to be taken at eight o'clock.

J. W. ALLPASS, Hon. Sec.

ST. JOHN'S SCHOOLROOM, Darlinghurst.—The fifth LECTURE of the course will be delivered in the above, by R. M. ISAACS, Esq., Barrister-at-law, upon "History: the pleasures and advantages of its study," on THURSDAY EVENING, the 28th instant, at 8 o'clock. Admission, 1s. Proceeds for benefit of Sunday School.

CAVANOUGH'S SKETCH of the Mayor and Aldermen. THURSDAY next, Temperance Hall.

BY special desire CAVANOUGH will redeliver his LECTURE on the Mayor and Aldermen of the city. Temperance Hall, on THURSDAY, 28th instant. Dr. WILSON M.P., will preside.

ADMISSION to CAVANOUGH'S LECTURE on the Mayor and Aldermen, reserved seats, 2s; back seats, 1s.

AUSTRALIAN MUTUAL PROVIDENT SOCIETY.—The Offices of the Society will be CLOSED for the Christmas Holidays from 1 p.m., THIS DAY, Saturday, until 10 a.m. on WEDNESDAY next, the 27th instant.

By order of the Board,

ALEXANDER J. RALSTON, Secretary.

Sydney, 23rd December, 1865.

AUSTRALIAN MUTUAL PROVIDENT SOCIETY.—Notice is hereby given that a Special MEETING of the Members of the Society will be held at the Society's Offices, Pitt-street, on WEDNESDAY, 10th day of January, 1866, for the purpose of confirming the repeal of the existing By-laws, and the adoption of the new By-laws submitted by the Committee appointed 1st May last, and duly approved at a Special Meeting held on the 18th of December instant.

Dated this 19th day of December, 1865.

By order of the Board,

ALEXANDER J. RALSTON, Secretary.

AUXILIARY FIRE AND SALVAGE COMPANY.—The above are requested to MEET at at the Engine Station, THIS DAY, at 9.30 sharp.

J. MURRAY, Foreman.

INSURANCE COMPANIES FIRE BRIGADE.—Members of the above are requested to MEET at the Engine Station, THIS DAY, at 9.30 sharp.

T. J. BOWN, Superintendent.

INTERCOLONIAL EXHIBITION OF AUSTRALASIA.—An Exhibition of the Products, Manufactures, and Arts of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, Western Australia, Tasmania, New Zealand, and Victoria, will be held in Melbourne in 1866. The exhibition will open not earlier than the month of August, and will remain open for not less than two months.

Forms of application for space, and all information required, can be obtained on application to

J. G. KNIGHT, Secretary.

Office of the Royal Commission, 64, Elizabeth-street, Melbourne.

IMMIGRANTS per STAR OF BRUNSWICK.—The MARRIED PEOPLE and SINGLE MEN by the above-named ship can be HIRED THIS DAY (and following days), between the hours of 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.

They consist principally of agricultural labourers.

GEORGE F. WISE, Agent for Immigration.

Government Immigration Office, Sydney, 22nd December, 1865.

BUNNERONG HOUSE.—The Discoverer's Hotel, Botany Bay, for the reception of WEDDING Parties, Families, and Gentlemen.

MONEY.—£50 to £500, on Freehold Security or Certificates. HICHENS GEDYE, 448, George-street.

MONEY to LEND, on security, from £100 upward. T. S. Harwood, Ultimo.

£100 TO £10,000 to LEND on Freehold Property. C. H. LONG, Broker, 103, Elizabeth-street.

£1200 TO LEND, in sums of £50, at a moderate interest. C. H. Rooke, 324, George-street.

MORTGAGE.—The Trustees of the Savings Bank are prepared to receive Applications for LOANS on the security of first-class City Property, at 7 per cent. per annum.

G. O. ALLAN, Managing Trustee.

MONEY WANTED, £25, for which liberal interest will be given. Security, Bill of Sale. A.F., Post O.

SHARES FOR SALE:

Bank of New South Wales

City Bank

Australasian Steam

Illawarra Steam

General Assurance

Wallsend Coal.

W. CHATFIELD, 382, George-street.

ALL kinds of Left-off CLOTHING bought, at Mr. Salmon's, 41, Parramatta-st. Letters attended to.

A. GALBRAITH, Stock and Station Agent, and Wool Broker, 279, George-street, opposite Hunter-street.

A. R. EMERSON and CO., Wine and Spirit Merchants. Importers of General Merchandise, and Commission Agents, Hokitika.

ARTIFICIAL TEETH from 5s; complete set from £6 6s—on gold, and the new patent gum-coloured vulcanite base. Extracting, 2s 6d. Stopping, scaling, &c., equally moderate. FRETWELL, Dentist, 396, George-st.

C. H. LONG, House, Land, and Estate Agent, at Mr. Glover's, news agent, Darling-street, Balmain.

C. H. LONG, House, Land, Estate Agent, Broker and Collector, 103, Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

CORNS, Bunions, and Defective Nails CURED by Mr. ALEXANDER, Surgeon-Chiropodist, 90, Bathurst-st.

CARPENTERS' AND JOINERS' S. P. SOCIETY beg to call the attention of the trade and public that their Call-books are open for public use, at Mr. Potter's, Albion Hotel, Haymarket, for parties requiring hands.

CASH ADVANCES made on Wool, Tallow, Hides, &c., for sale in Sydney, or for shipment to Liverpool or London. A. GALBRAITH, 279, George-street, opposite Hunter-street.

DEGOTARDI'S Sydney Printing House, Robinhood-lane. Cheap Lithographic and Letterpress Printing.

EXCHANGE HOTEL, Pitt and Bridge streets.—Notice.—DAVID, for some years at Smith's, Glasgow Arms, George-street, having taken the above hotel, solicits the patronage of his friends.

FRANKFORT HOTEL.—Privat Tanz Unterhaltung am Boxing Abend, by CHARLES LAMY.

FIRE INSURANCE at lowest current rates. W. H. MACKENZIE, jun., New Pitt-street, Agent for London and Lancashire Fire and Life Companies.

FIRE, FIRE, FIRE.—W. H. and J. BEECH, Chimney Sweep, 239, Macquarie-street. All orders by post or otherwise strictly attended.

N.B.—No connection with any other in the business.

FUNERALS conducted at the lowest possible charges. Kinsela and Son, Sussex-st. South, and South Head Rd.

GEORGE FOX and CO., Carriers, 479, George-street. Branch Offices, Picton and Penrith.

J. T. GORUS, Photographer of Cartes de Visite, diamond cameos and doubles.

JOHN WYNNE, Slater and Shingler, 345, Pitt-street, next Tattersall's, Sydney.

JOHN GRIBBEN'S old established Veterinary and Horseshoeing Establishment, Elizabeth-st, North.

KENT LARDER Dining Rooms, 164, Pitt-street.—An excellent Dinner daily, one shilling.

VISITORS to Sydney.—Kent Larder, 164, Pitt-street, is the best house for refreshments.

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LEATHER MANUFACTURED by T. W. EADY, Wollongong Leather Grindery Store, 54, York-street.

MADAME DUNKEL, first-class DRESSMAKER, from Paris, 97, Elizabeth-st., North, near King-st.

MR. E. S. DEANE, Teacher of Pianoforte, Violin, Guitar, Concertina, and Singing. 21, Charlotte-pl.

MARINE INSURANCES at lowest current premiums. W. H. MACKENZIE, junr., Agent Universal Marine Insurance Company, New Pitt-street, Sydney.

MACHINERY.—Mr. A. F. YARROW, Engineer, contracts for all kinds of machinery, and will furnish prices and full particulars on application. 23, Cornhill, London, E. C.

NOTICE.—On 1st January next the offices of the undersigned will be REMOVED to the First Floor of the new building erected by the Pacific Insurance Company at the corner of Pitt and Hutchinson streets.

M'CARTHY, SON, and DONOVAN.

NOTICE THE OLD SHOP OPENED AGAIN.—Best Christmas Dinner in Sydney, 1s. Come early.

BOXING-DAY.—Fowls, ducks, ham, and cold joints, at per lb. J. DAVIS, agent, 4, Hunter-street.

REMOVAL.—Mr. BARTON, Stock and Share Broker, to 165, Pitt-street.

REMOVAL.—The OFFICES of the undersigned are Removed to the Post Office Chambers, opposite the Commercial Bank.

PITT and SULLIVAN.

SIMMONS, of the Curiosity Shop, gives the highest price for LEFT-OFF CLOTHING.

SORGHUM, SORGHUM.—LAW, SOMNER, and CO., wholesale and retail seedsmen, 260, Pitt-street.

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SYDNEY PORTRAIT ROOMS, opposite the Wax Works, Pitt-street, will be open on Boxing Day.

TEETH, TEETH, TEETH.—New Discovery.—Toothache cured in one moment by Mr. GEORGE, Surgeon-Dentist, 27, Hunter-street. Artifical Teeth supplied, from a single tooth to a full set. Charges moderate. Teeth extracted without pain. Decayed teeth filled, which will last many years. Advice gratis.

THIRTY YEARS' PRACTICE.—Dr. Emanuel, Dentist, Pitt-st., opp. Toogood's Hotel. Established 1842.

TURKISH BATH, Bligh-street.—The TURKISH BATH is now OPEN for Ladies and Gentlemen. Extensive alterations have been made, embodying all the most recent improvements, by which, according to the highest medical and scientific authorities of England, many cases can now be cured which formerly were considered hopeless.

VALE and LACY, Engineers, Boiler-makers, and Machinists, foot of Druitt-street.

WRIGHT, BARBER, and CO., General Carriers, 551, Brickfield-hill. Branch offices, Penrith and Picton.

EXPRESS VAN.—For Bathurst, WEDNESDAY.

Ditto ditto, Goulburn, THURSDAY.

Ditto ditto, Mudgee, FRIDAY.

WRIGHT, BARBER, and CO., 551, Brickfield-hill.

No. 65 90. Town Clerk's Office, Sydney, 16th December, 1865.

YEARLY CONTRACTS.—TENDERS will be received at this office until 12 o'clock on THURSDAY, the 28th instant, for the supply of the articles and performance of the works hereunder mentioned for the Municipal Council of Sydney, for the year 1866, in accordance with the specifications and samples to be seen at this office, and the office of the City Engineer, viz.:—

Printing

Stationery and binding

Tools and blacksmith's work

General castings

Water locks

General stores

Coal for Botany waterworks

Water-posts or hydrants

Hydrants for street-watering

Stand-pipes, hoses, couplings, nozzles, directors, &c., for street-watering

Iron water-troughs for horses

Lightering metal stone from Pennant Hills

Kerbing and guttering

Paving footpaths

Stoneware pipes, bends, and junctions

Cleansing water-closets.

The Municipal Council will not be bound to accept the lowest or any tender; nor will any tender be taken into consideration unless accompanied by the names of two responsible persons willing to become surety to the extent named in the specication for the due fulfilment of each contract respectively.

CHARLES H. WOOLCOTT, Town Clerk.

TO BUILDERS.—TENDERS are required for certain alterations and additions to the Commercial Bank premises in George-street. Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the undersigned, Pitt-street, till SATURDAY, the 30th instant.

Tenders to be delivered not later than MONDAY, January 1st, 1866.

J. F. HILLY, Architect.

TO EXCAVATORS.—TENDERS required for excavating a building site. Apply to Mr. DAVEY, Architect, George-street, to whom tenders must be sent on or before SATURDAY, 23rd instant, at noon.

TO BUILDERS.—Tenders will be received up to December 31st for the erection of Three Houses, Macquarie-street South. Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of Mr. THOMAS S. HARWOOD, Surveyor, Ultimo.

TENDERS Required for the ALTERATION of two Houses in William-street. Masons and carpenters apply to Mr. A. Wenck, No. 20, Stanley lane.

TO MASONS and others.—As several persons have applied for the PLANS, &c., for the erection of four Houses at Randwick, the time has been extended to the 31st instant, when all the tenders will be opened.

S. H. PEARCE.

Randwick, 15th December.

ANNUAL SUPPLIES FOR THE BENEVOLENT SOCIETY for the YEAR 1866.—The undermentioned articles being required for the establishment of the Benevolent Society at Sydney, persons willing to supply the same are requested to forward TENDERS addressed to the Secretary, at the office of the Society, Sydney, on or before TUESDAY, the 26th instant at noon.

Beef and mutton, best quality, at per lb.

Flour, fine, and 20 per cent., at per 100 lbs.

Bread, fine, best quality

Bran, at per bushel of 20lbs.

Newcastle coal, at per imperial ton, 2240 lbs., delivered at the establishment

Wood, at per ton 2240 lbs., delivered

Coffins, large and small, each, ditto; interments.

Milk, at per quart, ditto

Medicine, as per list.

Tenders to be for six or twelve months, and endorsed "Tenders for Supplies for Benevolent Society." Those for bread and flour must be accompanied by samples of the articles.

The contractors for the bread, flour, and meat will be subject to the following conditions:—

1st. That the bread and meat shall be delivered daily at the Asylum in Sydney, before the hour of seven in the morning, in such quantities as shall be specified in a notice from the storekeeper of the Asylum, to be given to the contractor, or left at his place of business, on or before six in the evening previous to its being required to be delivered.

2nd. That the flour and bran shall be delivered at such time and in such quantities as the storekeeper shall require, by notice to be given by him to the contractor, or left at his place of business on or before six in the evening previous to the time when it shall be required to be delivered.

3rd. That the beef and mutton be delivered in HIND and FORE quarters ALTERNATELY.

4th. That the bread, flour, meat, and bran to be furnished by the contractors shall be of the VERY BEST KIND according to the quality specified in the advertisement.

5th. That the bread be baked in loaves of fine flour, of 2 lbs., and 1½ lb. each, as may be required by the storekeeper.

6th. That if the flour, bread, meat, or bran delivered by the contractor shall, in the opinion of the storekeeper, not be of the quality or weight contracted for, he shall be at liberty to reject the same; and in case the contractor shall neglect to supply other flour, bread, meat, or bran for that so rejected, he (the storekeeper) will be authorised to purchase other flour, bread, meat, or bran, and charge the same to the account of the contractor, subject always, in case of any dispute in reference thereto, to the determination of a Board of Survey, to be constituted as follows:—that is to say, three or more acting members of the committee, who shall have full power to decide thereon, and the decision of such three members, or two of them, shall be final and conclusive.

7th. That the contractors shall, with two sufficient sureties, enter into a bond of such amount as shall be required by the committee for the due fulfilment of the conditions of the contract.

N.B.—Intending contractors are informed that the above conditions, especially those relating to the quality of the bread and meat, will be rigidly enforced.

All further particulars may be ascertained at the Asylum, Sydney.

The Directors do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.

GEORGE ALLEN, Honorary Secretary.

Sydney, 16th December, 1865.

SYDNEY INFIRMARY AND DISPENSARY.—TENDERS are invited for the supply of the undermentioned articles of consumption, to the above institution, from the 1st of January to 30th June, 1866, viz.:—

BREAD, FLOUR, and MAIZE MEAL.

(The bread to be in 2 lb., 8 oz., and 4 oz. loaves.)

BEEF and MUTTON.

(The beef to be without bone, in equal parts of fore and hind quarters at per lb. Legs of beef, not weighing less than 16 lbs each, at per leg. Salt beef, at per lb. The mutton in equal parts of fore and hind quarters; also, for mutton chops cut from same, at per lb., excepting scrags of necks, ends of legs and shoulders. Salt breasts of mutton, at per lb. Veal and pork, at per lb.)

PURE MILK, at per quart.

COALS (best quality screened), at per ton of 2240 lbs.

EGGS, at per dozen.

BUTTER, at per lb.

POTATOES, at per ton.

SOAP and CANDLES, at per lb.

COFFINS, at each, and to supply a horse and driver.

The articles must be of the BEST QUALITY, and delivered as required.

Particulars may be ascertained on application to the matron, at the Infirmary. Tenders, with samples of bread and flour, to be in on or before 10 a.m., of WEDNESDAY, the 27th instant.

JOHN DOUGALL, } Joint Hon.

M. H. STEPHEN, } Secs.

ANNUAL SUPPLIES for the ASYLUM for DESTITUTE CHILDREN, RANDWICK, for the year 1866.—The undermentioned articles being required for the above institution, persons willing to supply the same are requested to forward TENDERS on or before noon of WEDNESDAY, the 27th instant.

Beef and mutton of the best quality, at per lb.

Suet (beef), at per lb.

Best screened Newcastle coal, at per ton (2240 lbs.)

Ironbark billet wood, at per ton (2240 lbs.)

Rice per cwt., sugar per cwt.

Tea per half-chest, oatmeal per lb.

Currants and raisins per lb.

Soap and candles per lb.

Sago and arrowroot per lb.

Starch and blue per lb.

Fine salt per lb., washing soda per lb.

Hops per lb.

Tenders are to be addressed to the House Committee, at the Asylum, Randwick, accompanied with samples of groceries. All further particulars may be ascertained from the Superintendent.

PASTURAGE.—TO CARCASE BUTCHERS, COWKEEPERS, and others.—Sealed TENDERS are invited by the Hyde Park Improvement Committee for the following privileges, viz.:—

1st. That of depasturing sheep only on Hyde Park, from 1st January to 31st December, 1866.

2nd. That of depasturing sheep and cattle on the four Hyde Park paddocks, east of College-street.

3rd. That of mowing the grass growing in the Park plantations.

The conditions upon which they can be severally leased can be obtained on application to the undersigned, to whom all tenders are to be addressed on or before SATURDAY, the 23rd instant.

Tenders will be received singly or for the whole.

The committee do not bind themselves to accept the highest or any tender.

W. H. CATLETT, Secretary.

Victoria Club, 16th December, 1865.

PADDINGTON MUNICIPALITY.—TENDERS for lifting and relaying about 150 yards of KERB and GUTTER on the Old South Head Road, from Glenmore Road to Comber-street, and also some additions thereto, will be received at the Council Chambers until 5 p.m., on THURSDAY next 28th instant.

By order of the chairman.

JOHN DAVIS, Council Clerk.

22nd December.

MR. C. MAYES, Architect, 394, George-street, Sydney, invites TENDERS for the erection of eight second-class Houses, in Orwell-street, off Macleay-street, Darlinghurst, to be delivered by noon of TUESDAY, January 9th, 1866.

1. Tenders for Excavation, Masonry, and Brickwork.
2. Tenders for Carpentry and Finishing Trades.
3. Tenders for the whole of the works in one sum.

All particulars may be had after December 26th.

IN THE ASSIGNED ESTATE OF BRODZIAK and RODGERS, Storekeepers, Bowen.—TENDERS are invited for the whole of the assets in the above estate, comprising first-class BUSINESS PREMISES in Bowen, Stock-in-Trade, Book Debts, Good-will of Business, &c., &c.

Full particulars can be obtained of Messrs. JOHN FRAZER and CO., Barrack-street, who will receive tenders, addressed to the trustees, till the 7th January, 1866.

ERNEST GOERTZ, } Trustees.

GEORGE HARRIS, }

PROVINCE OF NELSON, NEW ZEALAND. WATERWORKS LOAN, £20,000.

The Union Bank of Australia, being authorised by the Province of Nelson, New Zealand, to negotiate a sale of £20,000 Debentures under the "Nelson Waterworks Loan Act, 1864," assented to by the Governor, 26th July, 1864.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Inspector and General Manager of the Union Bank of Australia, at Melbourne, is prepared to receive, up to WEDNESDAY, the 10th January next, at twelve o'clock precisely, sealed TENDERS, in writing, of parties who may forward the same, addressed "Tender for Province of Nelson Waterworks Loan," or attend in person therewith, for any portion of said loan. Such tenders will then be opened in the presence of all so attending and read publicly, and the purchasers forthwith declared, provided the price be not under the minimum fixed, which will be placed on the table under seal.

One moiety of £10,000 of these Debentures of £100 each, with coupons attached, will become due 1st January, 1876, and the remainder on 1st January, 1881, and bear interest at the rate of eight per centum per annum from 1st January, 1866; said debentures, principal and interest, being made payable in Nelson, Melbourne, or Sydney, at the option of the holder.

Parties desirous of further information can obtain same on application at the Union Bank of Australia.

JOHN SIMPSON,

For the Inspector and General Manager.

Melbourne, 15th December, 1865.

NOTICE UNDER REAL PROPERTY ACT.—APPLICATIONS having been made to bring the Lands hereunder described under the provisions of the "Real Property Act," Certificates of indefeasible title will issue, unless Caveats be lodged in form B of the said Act, on or before the dates named opposite each case respectively.

Property.	Name of Applicant.	Residence.	Date up to and inclusive of which Caveat may be lodged.
			1865
No. 544, UNION-STREET, SURRY HILLS, SYDNEY—35½ perches, bounded on the east by Union-street, 167 feet 10 inches; north by Robin's land, 59 feet 10 inches; west by Sir D. Cooper's land, 163 feet; south by Reuben Uther's land, 56 feet 10 inches, being portion of the premises conveyed by R. Uther to Mrs Helen Welch	William Yeoman	Sydney	January 19th.
No. 850, TOWN OF BATHURST—2 roods 32¼ perches, commencing at the northern corner of lot 17 of section 8; bounded on the north-east by part of Dr. Busby's land, 208 feet; north-west by a line at right-angles, partly along a lane, in all 105 feet; south-west and north-west by another lane respectively 22 feet and 47 feet; again south-west by a line parallel to the north-east boundary, 186 feet; south-east by part of lot 15, and lots 16 and 17, in all 152 feet, to the point of commencement, with a right to a reserved lane 22 feet wide, and right-of-way to Rankin-street, through lot 5	Edmund Webb	Bathurst	January 2nd.
No. 869, PARISH OF BEGA.—5 acres 1 rood, suburban lot 1, of section 33, originally granted to Richard Cox, now occupied by the applicant	Ferdinand Beck	Bega	January 2nd.
No. 1062, BELLO RETIRO ESTATE, NEWTOWN.—Lots 32, 37, of section 1, lots 2, 28, and 35 of section 2, lots 4, 9, 12, 13, 14, 23, 28 of section 4, being part of the land conveyed by Henry Osborne to the applicant	James Wood	St. Peter's, Cook's River	January 2nd.
No. 881, CASTLEREAGH-STREET, SYDNEY—14¾ perches, commencing 40 feet 6 inches north of Market-street; bounded on the west by Castlereagh-street, 41 feet 10 inches; north by Chapman's premises, 95 feet 6 inches; east by Hume's land, 42 feet 3 inches; south by Mrs. Roberts' land, 94 feet, being part of lot 2, of section 34, originally granted to John Davie Robinson	Thomas Buckland	Sydney	January 30th.
No. 893, PARISH OF PETERSHAM—4 acres 1 rood 36 perches, lots 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, of John Ryan Brennan's subdivision of "Garryowen," and part of 100 acres originally granted to Lawrence Butler. ALSO, 3 acres at junction of Church and Wharf streets,—being the premises known as "Broughton House" and grounds, and part of 100 acres originally granted to John Austin	John Keep	Sydney	January 30th.
No. 920, PARISH OF YASS, COUNTY OF KING—37 acres 2 roods, commencing on the Yass River, at its junction with the north boundary of the Town of Yass; south by that boundary and the said river; west by a fenced line to a reserved road; north and east by fenced lines and roads to the river aforesaid,—being part of 1920 acres originally granted to George Barber	John Watkins	Sydney	January 30th.
No. 959, MISSENDEN ROAD, CAMPERDOWN—10 perches, 31 feet 4 inches north of University-street, bounded on the east by the Missenden Road, 35 feet 8 inches; north by Jewett's lot, 77 feet 6 inches; west by a reserved lane, 36 feet; south by premises known as the "Alma Inn," 77 feet 6 inches,—as now occupied by the applicant	Aaron Hubbard	Camperdown	January 30th.
No. 969, PARISH OF ALEXANDRIA, AT BONDI—5 acres, lot 18, originally granted to Messrs. Hughes and Hosking, now in the occupation of Henry Polly	William Whaley Billyard and William Cyprian Curtis	Sydney	January 30th.
No. 1010, ST. LEONARDS, PARISH OF WILLOUGHBY—7 acres 2 roods 27 perches, bounded on the west by the road to Middle Harbour, being a line north-westerly, 1226 links; north by a Government road, 855½ links; east by a line, 1173 links; south by Chandos street, 540 links to the point of commencement,—being part of 34 acres, originally granted to Archibald Mossman, and also part of 60 acres, originally granted to Alexander Berry	James Watkins and James Mayn Leigh	Sydney	January 30th.
No. 1012, COUNTY OF MACQUARIE, CROOKED CREEK, NEAR THE MANNI RIVER—89 acres 2 roods, 100 acres, 89 acres 2 roods, 60 acres, and 30 acres,—originally granted to William and John Donaldson	Francis O'Brien (Mortgagee exercising power of sale.)	Sydney	January 30th.
No. 1018, KENT-STREET, SYDNEY—1 acre 1 rood 16 perches, lot 6 of section 93, in Darling Harbour, originally granted to John Terry Hughes	Henry Hill Osborne, of Avondale, Patrick Hill Osborne, of Sydney, Alick Osborne, of Marshall Mount, and Benjamin Marshall Osborne, of Sydney	....	January 30th.
No. 1080, NEWTOWN—Bounded on the north by the Railway fence, 10 chains 35 links; east by a fenced line dividing it from land of Bucknell and Thurlow, 1212 links to the Erskineville Road; south-west by said road; north-westerly 1505 links to aforesaid Railway fence,—being part of the Linthorpe Estate	Thomas Walker	Yaralla, Concord	January 30th.
No. 1059, TEMPE ESTATE, COOK'S RIVER—Bounded on the south by Arncliffe-street, commencing 450 links, north-easterly, from its intersection with the north-east boundary of Hannam's 100 acres; west by a line north to Wolli Creek; north by that creek to lot 7; east by lot 7 to Arncliffe-street; south by said street, 445 links—being lots 8, 9, 10, and part of 11 of the Trust Company's subdivision of land at Tempe	Frewin Sleath	Arncliffe, Cook's River	January 30th.
No. 1067, YASS PLAINS, COUNTY OF MURRAY—640 acres, originally granted to the late Samuel Terry	Samuel Henry Terry	Windsor	January 30th.
No. 1071, VILLAGE OF DUBBO—5 acres, lots 2 and 3 in Bultje-street, originally granted to the late Edward Lang	Jean Emile Serisier	Dubbo	January 30th.
No. 1074, PADDINGTON—Bounded on the east by William-street, 20 feet; south by lot 29, 80 feet; west by lot 31, 20 feet—north by lot 33, 80 feet—being lot 32 of Cowlishaw's subdivision of original lot 73, of the Paddington Estate	Mary Jones	Paddington	January 30th.
No. 1081, PARISH OF WILLOUGHBY—10 acres, being the eastern moiety of 20 acres, originally granted to Charles Robertson	Henry Moon	Sydney	January 30th.
No. 1041, REDBANK, NEAR PICTON—1119 acres 3 roods; bounded on the west by the Great Southern Road, and on all other sides by Redbank Creek, Stonequarry Creek, the Nepean River, and Myrtle Creek. Also, STARGARD, NEAR PICTON—Bounded on the north by Stonequarry and Cedar Creeks; west by a line south 14 chains; south by the original boundary of the grant to Stonequarry Creek; easterly by that creek to Turner's land; and by the western boundary of the said land, northerly to Stonequarry Creek, excepting thereout land conveyed to Messrs. Conellan, Fieldhouse, Hinchberry, Coull, Larkin, and the Railway Commissioners; also, the Southern and Burragorang Roads	William Lumsdaine	Burwood	January 2nd.
No. 1091, CAMPERDOWN ESTATE—Lots 1 to 48 inclusive, 51 to 54 inclusive, 57 to 130 inclusive, 132, 134, 136, 140, 142, 144, 146, 148, 158, and part of 157, 55, 56, 49, 141, 143, 145, 147, 154, and 155 of Garsed's subdivision; bounded on the east by the Missenden Road; south by University-street; west by the Camperdown Road; and north by a lane	Samuel Henry Terry	Windsor	February 7th.
No. 1095, DARLING NURSERY ESTATE, NEWTOWN—Allotment 7 of block 1; bounded on the east by Rose-street, 30 feet; north and west by a lane; south by lot 8	William Smale Friend	Sydney	February 7th.
No. 1096, BURWOOD—Lots 27, 30, 31, 34, 35, 43, 44, 45, 46, and 47 of section 1 of M. Constable's subdivision; bounded on the north by the Parramatta Road, 250 feet; west by Driver's Road, 500 feet; south by lot 26	Samuel Deane Gordon	Double Bay, near Sydney	February 7th.
No. 1082, BALMAIN—1 rood 17 perches, or thereabouts; bounded on the east by Duke-street, 110 feet; south by Donelly's property, 142 feet; west by Rountree's land, 110 feet; north by Keep's land and Duke-place, 142 feet	John Keep, of Broughton, Petersham, and Frederick Geard, of Balmain	....	January 9th.
No. 1083, BALMAIN—1 rood 4¼ perches, or thereabouts; bounded on the south by property of Keep, 44 feet 6 inches; east by Duke-place and M'Queen's land, 270 feet, to Waterview Bay; north by that bay and west by Rountree's premises, 272 feet 6 inches	John Keep	Broughton, Petersham	January 9th.
No. 1111, ST. LEONARDS, PARISH OF WILLOUGHBY—22 acres 2 roods; bounded on the east by West-street, 19 chains 83 links; north by lot 3 of Lithgow's Estate, 9 chains 40 links; west and again north by Berry's property—being a line, south-easterly, 5 chains 95 links, and westerly, 12 chains; south-west by Berry's land, 16 chains 40 links; and south by John Frazer's land, 9 chains,—being lots 1 and 2 of Lithgow's Estate	Henry Heron Beauchamp	Sydney	February 27th.
No. 1116, BROMPTON ESTATE, NEWTOWN—Lots 18 and 30 of section 1, as conveyed by Richard H. Roberts to John Thomas Hudson	Philip Thompson Riley, of Goulburn, and Alban Joseph Riley, of Sydney	....	February 27th.
No. 1117, TOWN OF MUSWELLBROOK—2 roods, lot 11 of section 2, originally granted to the late Henry Nowland	William Mills	Denman	February 27th.
No. 1118, TOWN OF MUDGEE—2 roods, lot 18 of section 26, originally granted to Edward Bayly	Robert Forbes Milne, John Henry Nicholls, and James Dwane	Mudgee	February 27th.
No. 1133, TOWN OF ORANGE—2 roods, lot 10 of section 30, originally granted to Patrick Kenna	Hiram Barnes	Orange	February 27th.
No. 1135, NORTH KINGSTON ESTATE, NEWTOWN—Lot 62 of section 4, fronting Denison-street, as conveyed by Thomas Holt to the applicant	John Knipe	Newtown	February 27th.
No. 1137, TOWN OF BEGA—1 rood 35 perches, lot 10 of section 48, originally granted to Harding Giffard King	George Allan	Bega	February 27th.
No. 1138, TOWN OF GRAFTON—2 roods 2 perches, suburban lot 2 of section 70, originally granted to William West	Richard Payne	Grafton	February 27th.
No. 1145, OLD SOUTH HEAD ROAD, SYDNEY.—Bounded on the north by the South Head Road, 83 feet; east by a reserved road, 67 feet; south by a street, 83 feet; west by lot 5, 81 feet,—being lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, as sold by order of the Supreme Court, in the suit of Reardon and others v. Hellyer	Frederick Korff	Sydney	January 23rd.

Diagrams delineating these Lands may be inspected at the Registrar-General's Office, in Elizabeth-street, Sydney.
Dated this 14th day of December, 1865, at the Registrar-General's Office, Sydney.
THEO. JAS. JAQUES, Registrar General.

SPECIAL NOTICE UNDER THE REAL PROPERTY ACT.—Application having been made under section 79 of the "Real Property Act," by the undermentioned, to be registered as "Proprietor by Transmission," of the lands hereunder described, such application will be complied with, and Certificate of Title issued, in accordance therewith, unless Caveat be lodged on or before the date hereunder notified.

Property.	Name and residence of Applicant.	Title, how claimed	Date up to and inclusive of which Caveat may be lodged.
No. XII. PARISH OF STONEHENGE—40 acres, portion 51, and 36 acres, portion 52, within the reserve	John M'Pherson, of Stonehenge, and John Rogerson, of Ranger's Valley	Trustees of the will of the late James Rogerson	February 27th, 1866.

Dated this 14th day of December, 1865, at the Registrar-General's Office, Sydney.
THEO. JAS. JAQUES, Registrar General

Department of Public Works,
Sydney, 22nd December, 1865.

TENDERS for PUBLIC WORKS and SUPPLIES.—Tenders are invited for the following Public Works and Supplies. For full particulars see GOVERNMENT GAZETTE, a file of which is kept at every Police Office in the colony.

No tender will be taken into consideration unless the terms of the notice be strictly complied with.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

Nature of Works and Supplies.	Date to which Tenders can be received at this Office.
Pitching Floor of Waiting Shed, at Newtown, with Sandstone 14,000 Sleepers	12 o'clock noon, on Tuesday, 26th December,
Painting Goods Shed, Douglass Park Station Painting Signals and Gates, G. W. Railway Alterations and Additions Protestant Orphan School, Parramatta Alterations and Additions Lunatic Asylum Parramatta Building Stone for Gaol, Maitland, 1866 Beacons for Leading Lights, Newcastle Verandah, Richmond Railway Station Farriery for Crane Horses, &c., Newcastle, 1866 Engine Shed, Redfern Station	12 o'clock noon, on Tuesday, 2nd January, 1866.
Permanent Way Materials.	12 o'clock noon, on Tuesday, 9th January, 1866.

T. W. SMART.

The Treasury, New South Wales,
1st November, 1865.

PAYMENT OF RENT OF RUNS.—Holders of Runs in the Second Class Settled and Unsettled Districts, are reminded that by the 26th clause of the Regulations under the Crown Lands Occupation Act of 1861, the rents for the year 1866, of all Runs, must be paid on or before the 31st of December next.

Lists showing the names of Runs and the amount of rent due on each will be examined and checked, if deposited in this office for that purpose, not later than 1st proximo.

SAUL SAMUEL.

TENDERS will be received at the Transport Office, Auckland, New Zealand, until the 22nd JANUARY, 1866, for the CONVEYANCE to ENGLAND, from AUCKLAND, of the 68th and 43rd REGIMENTS. The ships with the former to sail in February, and with the latter in March next.

The estimated numbers will be about 35 officers, 700 men, 50 women, and 75 children, more or less, 68th Regiment; and about 32 officers, 530 men, 50 women, and 75 children, more or less, 43rd Regiment.

The ships must be classed either in Lloyd's Register A. red; or not less than three-thirds LIBER VERITAS.

Forms of tender may be obtained at the office of Superintendent of Pilots, Lights, and Harbours, Circular Quay, Sydney.

The rate for each officer, or other first or second class passenger, is to be stated, including mess, wine, beer, &c., bedding, and every table and cabin accommodation; also the rate per man, per woman, and per child, including victualling, medical comforts, and all requisites excepting bedding.

All the columns and particulars required in the tender must be properly filled in, the date when the ship will be ready for survey, to receive passengers, and to proceed to sea.

Answers to Tenders will be sent from Auckland by outgoing mail of 30th January, and the accepted ships to be forthwith fitted according to instructions to be seen at the office of the Superintendent of Pilots, &c., and to proceed to Auckland with all possible dispatch.

The ships to be sailed in conformity with Admiralty Regulations, a copy of which, with the scale of victualling, quality of provisions, and every information regarding the fitting of the ship, will be furnished on application at the above Office.

Agents are at liberty to tender vessels not in harbour, but which will arrive in time to be cleared and fitted for the service.

The lowest or any Tender will not necessarily be accepted.

DAVID SPAIN, Captain, Resident Transport Officer.
Admiralty Transport Office, Auckland, 6th December, 1865.

PROSPECTUS OF THE PEAK DOWNS QUARTZ MINING AND CRUSHING COMPANY (Limited).

Capital £20,000, in shares of £1 each, of which 16,000 are now offered to the public, and 4000 fully paid up shares are reserved for the proprietor of the Macdonald Quartz Reef.

PROVISIONAL DIRECTORS.
S. B. Davis, Esq., M.L.A. — P. D. Mansfield, Esq., J.P.
A. Feez, Esq. — C. H. Morgan, Esq.
R. M. Hunter, Esq., J.P. — J. Palmer, Esq., J.P.
With power to add to their number.
BANKERS.
Australian Joint Stock Bank.
SOLICITOR. — Provisional Secretary.
Thomas Clark, Esq. — George B. Shaw, Esq.

This Company is formed to develope the Quartz Reefs at Peak Downs, the richness of which is generally admitted.

The property upon which it is proposed the operations of the Company shall be first conducted consists of a block of mineral land known as Macdonald's Quartz Reef, and which the proprietor has placed at the disposal of the Company, on the understanding that if the directory should elect to accept the reef after an examination of it has been made, then that the 4000 shares reserved shall be allotted to him.

About 30 cwt. of stone taken from the reef, and assayed at the Sydney Branch of the Royal Mint, resulted in a yield at the rate of 4 oz. 17 dwts. 15 grs. gold to the ton of stone. Being a mundic ore, which is known not to yield its gold freely by the ordinary process, a trial of some of the same stone was made by Wheeler's amalgamators, and resulted in an average of 10 oz. 2 dwts. to the ton of stone being obtained. As a comparison, it may be mentioned that in Victoria large operations of a similar character are conducted, and large dividends paid, when the gold obtained is only from 4 (four) dwts. to half (½) an ounce to the ton of stone.

The proprietor of the Macdonald Quartz Reef does not ask any reimbursement for the large amount he has expended on the reef.

It is proposed to make calls, not exceeding 1s. (one shilling) per share, in periods of not less than one month; and it is estimated that an expenditure of about £4000 (four thousand pounds) will enable the Company to place upon the Peak Downs machinery capable of crushing 100 (one hundred) tons of stone per week, the expense of working which—estimating the cost of raising the stone at 20s. (twenty shillings) per ton, and crushing at 10s. (ten shillings) per ton—should not exceed £150 (one hundred and fifty pounds) per week whilst working on that scale.

It is provided that the whole of the preliminary payment be refunded to the other shareholders out of the profits earned before the proprietor of the Macdonald Quartz Reef receives any dividend on his shares, after which he shall participate with the other shareholders rateably.

It is ascertained that wood can be obtained in quantity, and at a low cost, on the spot; and in reference to a supply of water, no difficulty is anticipated.

Shares will be allotted strictly pro rata. Should any shares not be taken up when the first meeting of shareholders has been held, it is proposed that such be sold for the benefit of the Company at the discretion of the Directors.

Application will be made to the Legislature of the colony for an Act of Incorporation, limiting the liability of the shareholders.

Application for shares must be sent in the form annexed, not later than the 10th January, 1866, to the Provisional Secretary; and no shares will be allotted unless the application be accompanied by a deposit of 1s (one shilling) per share.

Rockhampton, 7th December, 1865.

Forms of application for shares can be had from Messrs. Winter, Veale, and Co., Clermont; W. H. Palmer, Esq., Brisbane; Henry Palmer, Esq., Maryborough; Messrs. Seaward, Marsh, and Co., Bowen; Messrs. Palmer and Browne, Gladstone; and S. L. Bensusan, Esq., Sydney.

Form of Application for Shares in the Peak Downs Quartz Mining and Crushing Company (Limited).

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To the Provisional Directors of the Peak Downs Quartz Mining and Crushing Company (Limited).

GENTLEMEN,—I request of you to allot to me shares in the above Company, and I hereby undertake to accept the same, or any less number you may allot to me, to pay the calls thereon when called upon to do so, and to execute the Company's deed of settlement when required. I forward herewith the sum of being the requisite deposit on the shares now applied for.

Name in full
Occupation
Address

SYDNEY MARINE ASSURANCE COMPANY. (Unlimited Liability.)
Capital, £100,000.
DIRECTORS.
Richard Jones, Esq., Chairman.
William Glen Walker, Esq.
Henry Mort, Esq.
AGENTS.
London—Messrs. R. and F. Tooth and Mort, 155, Fenchurch-street.
Brisbane—Messrs. J. and G. Harris.
Newcastle—Captain Charles Robertson.
MARINE SURVEYOR—Captain James Malcolm.

N.B.—Time risks on ships, with particular average taken, subject to special arrangement.

Policies on merchandise to Europe granted in triplicate, payable in London in case of loss, if required.

A Table of the Rates of Premium can be obtained at the Company's Office, Lyons-buildings, George-street.

SAMUEL H. SMYTH, Manager.

THE ANGLO-AUSTRALIAN GUANO COMPANY. (Limited.)
Incorporated as a Limited Company under the "Joint Stock Companies' Act."
REGISTERED OFFICE: SALAMANCA-PLACE, HOBART, TASMANIA.
Capital £60,000, in £3000 shares of £20 each.

Deposit £1 per share, the balance to be paid by three approved acceptances, respectively payable at 6, 12, and 18 months from the date of allotment; or the whole of such balance may be paid up in cash, subject to discount at the rate of £6 per cent. per annum if paid immediately upon allotment.

DIRECTORS:
Henry Hopkins, Esq., Elizabeth-street, Hobart Town; Chairman.
The Hon. Sir Richard Dry, M.L.C., Quamby.
William Dodery, Esq., M.H.A., Longford.
George Salier, Esq., (Messrs. G. and J. Salier,) Hobart
Henry Hopkins, Junior, Esq., New Town Park.
Philip Oakley Fysh, Esq., (Messrs. P. O. Fysh and Co.), Hobart and Launceston.
Isaac Eynon Chapman, Esq., Salamanca-place, Hobart.

. Dr. Crowther will join the directors as soon as the arrangements now pending have been concluded for the assignment to the company of his rights as lessee and licensee of certain guano islands under leases from her Majesty's Home Government and from the Governor and Executive of the colony of Queensland.

BANKERS.
The Bank of Van Diemen's Land.
AUDITORS:
William Rout, Esq., New Town.
Justin M'Carty Brown, Esq., New Wharf, Hobart.
COUNSEL:
Charles S. Causdell, Esq., Stone Buildings, Macquarie-street, Hobart.
MANAGER:
Isaac Eynon Chapman, Esq., Salamanca-place, Hobart.

This company is not a new project, but simply an extension and re-construction on a wider basis, and under the "Joint Stock Companies Act," with limited liability, of a private undertaking, which, since its commencement in 1861, has by judicious and energetic management developed a large, increasing, and successful trade. This success it is believed will be greatly augmented by the further development of the undertaking as a joint stock company.

Prospectuses can be obtained from the undersigned, who will also receive applications for shares until Monday, 23rd December.

RANDOLPH NOTT, 477, George-street, Sydney.

AUSTRALIAN MUTUAL PROVIDENT SOCIETY.
ESTABLISHED 1849.
Annual Revenue exceeds .. £86,450
Invested Funds exceed .. 270,000
PRINCIPAL OFFICE, New Pitt-street, Sydney.

DIRECTORS:
S. A. Joseph, Esq., M.P., Chairman.
Samuel Thompson, Esq., Deputy Chairman.
Robert Gilfillan, Esq. — George King, Esq.
J. F. Josephson, Esq., M.P. — John Smith, Esq., M.D.
ACTING ACTUARY:
Henry S. Hawkins, M.A., of St. John's College, Cambridge.
CONSULTING ACTUARY:
M. B. Pell, Esq., Professor of Mathematics, Sydney University.
MEDICAL REFEREE:
Sprott Boyd, Esq., M.D., 6, Lyons-terrace, Hyde Park.

LIFE ASSURANCE, ANNUITY, and ENDOWMENT business is transacted by the Society, on favourable terms. The entire profits of the Society, being the property of the members, are from time to time divided rateably among themselves.

Forms of proposal and every other information can be obtained at the principal office, or at any of the agencies.

By order of the Board,
ALEXANDER J. RALSTON, Secretary.

ALLIANCE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LONDON,
Capital, £5,000,000.
RATES OF PREMIUM.
First-class.—Stone and brick dwellings, from 3s. to 6s. 6d. per cent.
Second-class.—Stone and brick stores, from 4s. 6d. to 10s. per cent

An advance of 15 per cent. on above rates for retail trades.

Country risks 25 per cent. advance on above rates of premium.

DANIELL, KING, and CO, agents, 10, O'Connell-street.

AUSTRALASIAN INSURANCE COMPANY, FIRE, LIFE, and MARINE.
Head Office—Collins-street, Melbourne.
Subscribed Capital, £500,000; Paid-up Capital—Fire and Marine, £100,000; Life, £25,000. Reserve Fund, £70,000.

Fire risks taken at lowest current rates.

Marine risks accepted at current rates, and losses made payable at the head office, in Sydney, or at any of the agencies of the company in Great Britain, India, China, or the colonies.

Life policies issued on very favourable conditions.

Particular attention is directed to the fact that the funds belonging to the Life Branch are protected by special Act of Parliament against any claim arising out of the Fire and Marine Branch.

Medical Referee—Dr. J. C. Cox.
MONTEFIORES and TE KLOOT, Agents, Exchange Corner.

AUSTRALIAN GENERAL ASSURANCE COMPANY.
Established 1836.
Office, 131, Pitt-street, Sydney.

MARINE INSURANCES
Effected at lowest current rates of premium, particulars of which can be obtained at the office.

Policies to Great Britain granted in triplicate, and made payable in London if required.

HENRY T. FOX, Secretary.

LONDON AND LANCASHIRE FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES.
Chief Offices—73 and 74, King William-street, London.
CAPITALS.
Fire—£1,000,000. — Life—£100,000.
With powers to increase.
NEW SOUTH WALES BRANCH.
DIRECTORS.
The Hon. A. M'Arthur — George Wigram Allen, Esq.
George Alfred Lloyd, Esq. — John Fraser, Esq.
MEDICAL OFFICER. — A. H. C. Macafee, Esq.
F. Sydney Jones, Esq. M.D., F.R.C.S. — SURVEYOR. G. A. Mansfield, Esq.
BANKERS—Bank of New South Wales.
Fire Rates, ONLY on APPLICATION at OFFICE.
Life Policies subject to SPECIAL ADVANTAGES.
Claims promptly SETTLED IN COLONY.
W. H. MACKENZIE, jun.,
Agent for N. S. Wales.
Offices, New Pitt-street, Sydney.

SYDNEY INSURANCE COMPANY.
For FIRE and MARINE INSURANCE.
Incorporated by Act of Council, 18 Vict., 1855.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £250,000;
PAID UP, £50,000;
With unlimited liability of shareholders.
DIRECTORS.
M. E. Murnin, Esq., Chairman.
T. C. Breillat, Esq., Deputy-chairman.
J. F. Josephson, Esq., M.L.A.
James R. Fairfax, Esq.
William Wolfen, Esq.
John Brewster, Esq.
SURVEYOR:
James Hume, Esq.
MARINE SURVEYOR:
Captain James Malcolm.
SECRETARY:
Mr. Joseph Dyer.

This company, which has been established for ten years, is a strictly colonial institution, and has a large and wealthy proprietary. Policies for both FIRE and MARINE INSURANCE are issued at the current rates of premium adopted by the various offices in the colony. Forms of proposal and tables of rates, will all necessary information, will be furnished on application to the secretary, Mr. Joseph Dyer, at the offices, at the corner of Hunter and Pitt streets, Sydney, and at the various Agencies established in every considerable township in the colonies of New South Wales and Queensland.

By order of the Board,
JOSEPH DYER, Secretary.

THE EUROPEAN ASSURANCE SOCIETY FOR FIRE INSURANCE, LIFE ASSURANCE AND FIDELITY GUARANTEE.
Fire Insurance at current rates.
Life Assurance and Guarantee Policies issued separately, or at reduced rates if combined.

The premiums charged in each department are the lowest that can be adopted with safety to the assured and the society.

FREDERICK J. JACKSON, Resident Secretary.
34, Hunter-street, Sydney.

THE COMMERCIAL UNION ASSURANCE COMPANY, 19, Cornhill, London, E.C.
MARINE BRANCH:—5, Royal Exchange Avenue.
CAPITAL, £2,500,000.

The undersigned have been appointed the Sydney agents to the above Company, and are empowered to issue policies of Assurance against Fire, and to settle all claims for losses that may arise therefrom. Forms of proposals, prospectuses, and all information can be obtained free on application.

E. and W. PAUL, 80, York-street.

TRUST and AGENCY COMPANY of AUSTRALASIA.
(Limited.)
Capital, £500,000.
ADVANCES MADE.
on
PASTORAL SECURITIES, FREEHOLD ESTATES, &c.
Solicitors—Messrs. Paxton and Hollins.
BRIGHT, BROTHERS, and CO., Melbourne, Managing Agents for Victoria, New South Wales, and Queensland.

AUSTRALIAN GLASS AND PORCELAIN MANUFACTURING COMPANY.
Capital, £100,000, in 10,000 shares of £10 each.
DIRECTORS:
The Hon. James Mitchell, M.L.C. — The Hon. Francis Lord, M.L.C.
Dr. G. H. Alloway — William Wolfskehl, Esq.
M. Metcalfe, Esq.

The detailed prospectus of this Company can be had at the office of this Company, 143, Pitt-street.

F. A. BELL, Honorary Secretary.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
Capital, £1,600,000. Income, £230,000.
Reserve fund, £240,000.
Insurances effected on buildings, merchandise, and ships.
Losses from fire by lightning made good, and all claims on adjustment paid in Sydney.
FANNING, GRIFFITHS, and CO., agents, Spring-street, Sydney.

NORTHERN FIRE and LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.
SYDNEY BRANCH, 62, MARGARET-STREET.
Current FIRE rates, and lowest LIFE rates in Australia.
Claims promptly settled in Sydney and at the agencies.
ROBERT HENDERSON, Resident Secretary.

NORTHERN FIRE AND LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.
Capital, £2,000,000. — Invested Funds, £733,000.
Sydney Branch, 62, Margaret-street.
Medical Referee, Dr. ALLOWAY.

LIFE DEPARTMENT.
SPECIAL NOTICE.—Intending assurers will please bear in mind that all policies effected before the 31st December will participate in the profits one year sooner than if taken out after that date.
ROBERT HENDERSON, Resident Secretary.

PACIFIC FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF SYDNEY.
Capital, £500,000.
DIRECTORS:
J. L. Montefiore, Esq., Chairman.
John Watkins, Esq. — A. B. Smith, Esq.
Henry Prince, Esq. — J. R. Young, Esq.
London agents—Messrs. Young, Lark, and Bennett, 29, Gresham-street.

Transactions can be effected with this Company in the various branches of FIRE and MARINE INSURANCE at the lowest current rates of premium.

Marine losses may be made payable in London, if required.

C. M. SMITH, Manager.

ROYAL FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, OF LIVERPOOL AND LONDON.
CAPITAL, £2,000,000.
FIRE DEPARTMENT.
The undersigned are fully empowered to settle all claims in the colony, and insurers may rely on the liberal and prompt payment of losses. The rates of premium are those adopted by all insurance companies in the colony.
LIFE DEPARTMENT.
Polices are issued, and claims settled, by the undersigned in the colony, without reference to England.
MEDICAL REFEREE—Dr. O'BRIEN, M.D.
Prospectuses, tables of rates, &c., with the fullest information, will be furnished on application to
LAIDLEY, IRELAND, and CO., Lloyd's Chambers.

THE BRITISH AND FOREIGN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY (Limited).
Capital, L1,000,000.
LORIMER, MARWOOD, and ROME, Agents.

UNIVERSAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY (Limited).
Chief Offices, 35, Cornhill, London.
Capital, £1,000,000.

The undersigned is authorised to issue Policies at the LOWEST CURRENT RATES OF PREMIUM, the claims on which can be made payable in the Colonies, London, Cape, India, or China.

W. H. MACKENZIE, Jun., Agent.
Sydney Office, New Pitt-street.

VICTORIA FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.
(Established 1849. Capital, £200,000.)
Also,
VICTORIA LIFE AND GENERAL INSURANCE COMPANY.
(Capital, £2,000,000.)
With unlimited liability of Shareholders.
SYDNEY BRANCH—Pitt-street, opposite the EMPIRE Office.
WILLIAM JACK, Resident Secretary.

THE AGRA AND MASTERMAN'S BANK. (Limited.)
Incorporated by Royal Charter.
Established in 1833.
Subscribed Capital £3,000,000
Paid-up Capital 1,500,000
Reserved Fund 500,000
Head Office.......... London
BRANCHES in Paris, Edinburgh, Calcutta, Bombay, Madras, Agra, Lahore, Kurrachee, Hong Kong, Shanghai, Sydney, and Melbourne.
SYDNEY BRANCH.
Auditors:
Hon. E. Deas Thomson, Esq., C.B., M.L.C.
C. Rolleston, Esq., Auditor-General.
Solicitors:
Messrs. Spain and Roxburgh.

LETTERS OF CREDIT issued, negotiable on the most favourable terms at the Head Office, London, or at any of the BRANCHES or AGENCIES of the Bank in FRANCE, INDIA, CHINA, MANILA, MAURITIUS, CALIFORNIA, SOUTH AMERICA, &c., &c.

DRAFTS granted on the Head Office, London, payable on demand, or at dates ranging up to 6 months' sight.

FIXED DEPOSITS received on favourable terms.

CIRCULAR NOTES, for the convenience of travellers by the overland route, available at Galle, Cairo, Alexandria, and at all the principal cities on the Continent of Europe.

By order of the Court of Directors,
ALEX. CAMPBELL, Manager.

BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—A BRANCH of this BANK is THIS DAY opened at CAMDEN, for the transaction of all ordinary banking business.
SHEPHERD SMITH, General Manager.
Sydney, 25th November.

SIR JOSEPH BANKS HOTEL, Botany.—'BUSES will leave Sydney for the above place, between the hours of 10 and 12 a.m.

BOXING-DAY.
SIR JOSEPH BANKS HOTEL, Botany Bay.

J. MULLIGAN, Proprietor of the above well-known delightful gardens and pleasure grounds, offers first-class accommodation to wedding and dinner parties for the forthcoming holidays, where they will receive the greatest civility and attention, and everything of the most recherche quality, at moderate charges.

N.B.—Croquet, cricket, quoits, football, and every other description of athletic sports provided.

BOXING BAY.—SIR JOSEPH BANKS HOTEL, BOTANY BAY.—JOHN MULLIGAN, proprietor of the above fashionable hotel, intimates to his friends and the public generally, that he has provided for the above occasion every description of amusements for holiday seekers and lovers of sports, and that a first-class band will be in attendance.

PIER HOTEL, MANLY BEACH.

CHARLES LAWRENCE (of the All-England Eleven), late of George-street, Sydney, begs to inform his friends and the public that he has taken the above hotel, and respectfully solicits their support.

FAMILIES who have not visited this suburb would do well, before engaging apartments in Sydney, to take a trip by the steamer.

Gentlemen engaged in Sydney during the day can leave by the 6.30 boat in the evening, and return to Sydney by the 8.0 boat the following morning; business hours thus not being encroached upon.

Ample provision has been made for amusement. CRICKET for the gentlemen, with gratuitous instruction from Mr. Lawrence; CROQUET for the ladies, a CAMERA-OBSCURA for the curious, and a MAZE (like that at Hampton Court) for children.

The Wines and Spirits have been selected with great care, and will be found excellent in quality, and the table will be supplied with the best edibles that can be procured; in fact, C. L. has made such arrangements as cannot fail to give satisfaction to his patrons, and he looks with confidence to the public for a fair share of support.

C. LAWRENCE.

N.B.—CHARLES LAWRENCE desires to state that he still keeps in stock all kinds of the best Cricketing materials, at the same prices as supplied from his late establishment in George-street.

NOTICE.
On and after WEDNESDAY, November 1st, the steamers will leave as under:—
MANLY.—8.0, 11.45, 3.45, 5.30.
SYDNEY.—10.15, 2.15, 4.30, 6.30.

SANS SOUCI, ROCKY POINT, five miles beyond the Dam, Cook's River Road. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. RUST respectfully invite the attention of the public to the very superior accommodation afforded at their Establishment, SANS SOUCI.

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All requisites supplied for Cricketing, Quoits, &c.

Good stabling, and every care taken of horses.

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W. H. GLADING, Proprietor, begs to apprise his friends and the public generally, that, together with other amusements, his skittle alley has undergone a thorough repair, and lovers of the game are specially invited.

Liquors of the finest quality purchased for cash always on hand, and luncheon provided on the shortest notice.

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TATTERSALL'S NEW YEAR'S DAY RACES, RANDWICK COURSE, MONDAY, January 1st, 1866.

Stewards—The Committee of Tattersall's Club.
Judge—W. B. Walford, Esq.
Clerk of the Course and Starter—W. G. Hanfrey, Esq.
Treasurer—Samuel Jenner, Esq.

FIRST RACE.—To start at half-past 11 o'clock. The Maiden Plate of 100 sovereigns, added to a sweepstakes of 5 sovereigns each, for all maidens at the time of entrance (winners of two year-old stakes excepted, which will be admitted subject to the penalties of Rule 2, A. J. C.); the second horse to receive 15 sovereigns out of the stakes. 1½ mile; winners after the time of entrance to carry 5 lbs. extra. Entrance, 5 sovereigns.

SECOND RACE.—To start at half-past 12 o'clock. Hack Stakes of 25 sovereigns, with a sweepstakes of 1 sovereign each; the second horse to receive the sweeps; once round the course; the winner to be sold by auction immediately after the race for £20, any surplus over that sum to go to the funds. Post entrance, 1 sovereign. Weight, 9 stone.

THIRD RACE.—To start at 2 o'clock. O'Brien's Cup, value 65 sovereigns, the gift of Mr. W. J. O'Brien, Tattersall's Hotel, with 100 sovereigns given by Tattersall's Club, added to a handicap sweepstakes of 6 sovereigns each; half forfeit if declared by 23rd December; for all horses; 2 miles; weights on the 19th December; a winner of any handicap thereafter to carry 3 lbs.; of two or more, 5 lbs. extra. Entrance (to close on the 15th December), 5 sovereigns.

FOURTH RACE.—To start at 3 o'clock. Helter Skelter of 20 sovereigns, with a sweepstakes of 1 sovereign each; the second horse to receive the sweeps; weight, 10 st.; the winner to be sold by auction immediately after the race for £20, any surplus over that sum to go to the funds; post entrance, 1 sovereign ½ mile.

FIFTH RACE.—To start at a quarter to 4 o'clock. The Pony Race of 20 sovereigns, with a sweepstakes of 1 sovereign each, for all ponies not exceeding 14 hands, the second pony to receive the sweeps; the winner to be sold by auction immediately after the race for £20, any surplus over that sum to go to the funds; entrance, 1 sovereign; once round the course; catch weights.

SIXTH RACE.—To start at half-past 4 o'clock. Tattersall's Annual Handicap of 60 guineas, added to a handicap sweepstakes of 5 guineas each; half forfeit if declared by 23rd December; for all horses; the second horse to receive 15 guineas from the prize; 1½ mile; weights on the 19th December; a winner of any handicap thereafter to carry 3 lbs., two or more 5 lbs.; the winner of O'Brien's cup to carry a penalty of 4 lbs., without reference to other penalties, entrance, 3 guineas, to close on the 15th December.

SEVENTH RACE.—To start at half-past 5 o'clock. The Consolation Stakes (Handicap) of 30 sovereigns, with a sweepstakes of 1 sovereign each to go to the second horse; for all beaten horses during the meeting, except those that have run only in the Hack Helter-skelter and Pony Race; once round the course. Entrance, £1 10s, to be made to the Secretary, at the Stand, by 5 o'clock.

All entrances, excepting for O'Brien's Cup and Tattersall's Annual Handicap, must be delivered to Mr. Samuel Jenner, under cover, endorsed "Entrance for Tattersall's Races," at the Horse Bazaar, Pitt-street, on or before 4 p.m. FRIDAY, 29th December, and must contain the amount of entrance and sweeps in full. Entrance for O'Brien's Cup and Tattersall's Annual Handicap close at 4 p.m. on FRIDAY, 15th December.

Post-entrances for Hack Race and Helter-skelter. Colours must be named at time of entrance.

AUSTRALIAN JOCKEY CLUB.—RANDWICK AUTUMN MEETING OF 1866.

THE SYDNEY CUP (a gold cup, value 150 sov.), and 200 sov. added to a handicap sweepstakes of 20 sov. each, 8 ft., 4 if declared by 31st March, entrance fee only if by 17th February; for all horses. 2 miles. Second horse 40 sov., and the third 20 from the prize. Weights on the 28th January; a winner of any handicap thereafter 3 lb., of two or more 5 lb. extra. Entrance, 5 sov.; to close at 4 p.m. on the 2nd January, and the horses to be named (accompanied by entrance-fee) to the secretary on or before that time.

THE CHAMPAGNE STAKES of 15 sov. each, h. ft., 4 only if declared by 31st March; 80 sov. added; for 2 yrs.; colts, 8 st. 10 lb.; fillies, 8 st. 8 lb.; the winner of the A. J. C. Two Yrs. Stakes 5 lb extra. 7 furlongs. Second horse 32 sov. from the prize. Entrance, 4 sov.; to close and name as above.

The forfeits must be declared to the honorary secretary previous to 4 p.m. on the respective days above specified; those declared on the 31st March must be accompanied, by £4, or it will not be a declaration. All other forfeits and stakes previous to 10 a.m. on the day of the race.

The AUTUMN MAIDEN STAKES of 10 sovs., each h. ft.; 150 sov. added, for all maiden horses (including WINNERS of two yrs. stakes) at the time of entrance; weight for age. Penalties for winning after entrance once, 5 lb.; twice or more, 7 lb. 1½ mile. Second horse 25 sov., and the third 10 from the prize. Entrance, if accompanied by 7½ sov., can be made to the secretary any time previous to the closing of the general entry for the Autumn Meeting, at which time the forfeits must be paid. The balance of the sweep must be paid previous to 10 a.m. on the day of the race.

SPRING OF 1867.

RENEWAL of the (Australian) DERBY STAKES of 30 sovs. each, h. ft., for colts 8st 10lb., and fillies 8st. 5lb., then three years old. One mile and a half. If more than twenty subscribers, the owner of the second horse to receive 60 sovs. out of the stake, which are to be made at the Secretary's office, in Sydney, before starting or not entitled to receive though a winner. The winner to pay 20 sovs. towards the expenses and regulations of the course. The subscription to close on the first THURSDAY after the Autumn Meeting of 1866, and the horses to be named to the Secretary, in Sydney, on or before that day.

AUTUMN OF 1868.

RENEWAL of the (Australian) ST. LEGER, stakes of 30 sovs. each, h. ft., for colts 8st. 10lb., and fillies 8st. 5lb., then three years old. One mile and three-quarters. If more than twenty subscribers, the owner of the second horse to receive 60 sovs. out of the stakes, which are to be made at the Secretary's office, in Sydney, before starting, or not entitled to receive though a winner. The winner to pay 20 sovs. towards the expenses and regulations of the course. The subscription to close on the first THURSDAY after the Autumn Meeting of 1866, and the horses to be named to the Secretary, in Sydney, on or before that day.

SPRING OF 1867.

THE DERBY ST. LEGER, handicap sweepstakes of 10 sovs. each for acceptors, h. ft.; 200 sovs. added; for horses nominated in either the Australian Derby of 1866, or St. Leger of 1867, two miles; second horse 40 sovs. from the prize; weights to be published on the second Saturday after the St. Leger day of 1867, and non-acceptances declared to the Secretary, within twenty-five days thereafter. A winner of any handicap after the publication of the weight, to carry 3lb.; of two or more, 5lb. extra. Entrance 3 sovs. The entrances to close on the first THURSDAY after the Autumn Meeting of 1866, and the horses to be named (accompanied by 3 sovs.) to the Secretary, in Sydney, on or before that day.

BUCHAN THOMSON, Hon. Sec.

CHANGE OF AIR, SOUTH KURRAJONG.—Mrs. JOHN EZZY, having rented the furnished COTTAGES at Bowenmount, can offer the accommodation of BOARD, LODGING, and ATTENDANCE to families desirous of residing there. They will not be required to bring anything. Bowenmount is about 8 miles from the Richmond Railway Station, and conveyances for families are easily obtained there at a moderate rate. Address Mrs. JOHN EZZY, Wheeney Creek, Kurrajong.

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Ladies' diamond rings and gem rings
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WHEELER AND WILSON'S Prize Medal New Improved SEWING MACHINES.

The distinguishing feature in this machine is the making of the

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FIRST-CLASS PRIZE MEDAL AT THE LONDON EXHIBITION OF 1862;
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☞ It fells or hems any width, turning its own hem as it stitches.

☞ Gathers any kind of material with any quantity of fullness.

☞ Gathers and sews on a band at the same time without basting.

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☞ Sews in cord without basting.

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☞ Binds any material without basting.

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Manufacturers of
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LOCK-STITCH
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This company has received the appointment of Purveyors of Sewing-machines to

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And by command they have supplied their machines to

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THE HIGHEST PREMIUMS
over all competitors, both for
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Paperhangings, the best and cheapest in the colony
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Lamps, globes, chimneys, wicks, &c., cheaper than any other house in the city.

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The following, amongst other certificates, have been received as to the quality of the manufacture:—

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Patronised by
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It is extensively used for all kinds of
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Three-bushel Bags, 2½ lbs.; 10½ lbs. woolpacks, 27 and 28 inch; woolbagging; Webster's, Dickson's, Bell's and D. Corsar and Son's canvas; Europe rope, bolt rope, spun yarn, Hambro line, &c.

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BLASTING POWDER, in 48 lb. kegs, bright and coarse grained

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MARBLE CHIMNEY PIECES, in great variety.
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The Store is well known throughout the Southern District. To a person of good business habits, possessed of moderate capital, it affords a very advantageous opening.

The premises will be sold, or leased for a term of years, as may be desired.

THOMAS LAIDLAW.
Yass, 20th December, 1865.

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The premises consist of a two-storied house, containing shop with plate-glass fronts, 8 rooms, kitchen, pantry, laundry, two-stalled stable, and two workrooms for men 13 x 11.

The business is in full force and has supplied work for four men and an apprentice.

The stock consists of all the usual material for carrying on such a business, is in first-rate order, and can be had at a valuation.

Apply to Messrs. Butler, Brothers, and Mr. H. Brookes, Sydney; or to Messrs. Bull and Lord (the executors), Goulburn.

Tenders will be received until the 14th January, 1866.

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THE CORNSTALK HOTEL, ROCKHAMPTON.

For SALE, the Lease (having seven years to run)

Furniture, stock and fixtures of the above celebrated hotel, comprising

Handsomely fitted bar
Bar parlour, 20 x 12
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Kitchen with every convenience, having one of Russell's 5½ feet patent stoves, and cook's pantry attached
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Also,

Stables with twenty stalls
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This property is built on a half-acre allotment, at a very moderate rental.

The whole to be sold at a valuation; the furniture and general arrangement of this house are complete, and in condition equal to new.

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Distant by a good road of 25 miles from the shipping port of Blenheim, and seventy miles from the city of Nelson.

A post office is established on the station.
18,234 acres of the above are freehold
150 acres of which are timbered, and
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A substantial timber-built dwelling-house, of 12 rooms, with kitchens, out-offices, garden, &c.
Ditto ditto ditto, 6 rooms.
Wool shed, including covering for 1500 sheep, wool presses, &c.
Dipping apparatus, boilers, and all conveniences for washing 10,000 sheep per day.
Cottages on various parts of the station.
Cottage and 30-acre paddock, sown with English grass, near the town of Blenheim. With these will be sold,
About 15,000 sheep, of mixed ages and sexes.
Working bullocks, horses, &c., and everything necessary for the perfect working of the station.

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5000 head (more or less) quiet well-bred CATTLE
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These stations are in the locality of Grafton, and are capable in all seasons of carrying at least 8000 cattle.

The improvements are most complete.

Also,

The following stations on the Murray, viz.:—
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These sheep were bred at Pilton, and are the produce of a stud flock which was established at that station in 1841, and combine the most desirable qualities of the Australian merino sheep in the highest degree.

At the annual show of the Agricultural Society, held at Toowoomba in February last, the breeder was awarded the silver medal of the society for the best colonial-bred rams.

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STORE CATTLE.—STORE BULLOCKS and mixed Cattle from the best herds in the Clarence River, New England, and North Western districts, and in Queensland.

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10,000 maiden ewes, Gwydir district

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Good ewes in all parts of Queensland.

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124,000 acres, with 1500 cattle, twenty miles frontage to the Lachlan.

72 square miles of first-class cattle country, large frontage to the Murrumbidgee, with 2000 cattle.

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90 square miles, all fenced, with 2200 cattle; a very superior station.

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Four first-class fattening stations—all of which can be highly recommended.

A fine station on the Warrego, with 11,000 young sheep.

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150 square miles, open salt bush country, with 1600 cattle.

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A well improved station, with 9000 sheep.

A first-class station, with 21,000 sheep; improvements very complete.

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A beautiful station on the Peak Downs, with 12,000 sheep,—capabilities 35,000 sheep. This is a first-class station, and can be highly recommended.

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500 square miles, comprising first-class sheep and cattle country, permanently watered, only 130 miles from port.

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NEW ENGLAND.—Splendid cattle station, advantageously situated, abundance of grass and water, 6000 head.

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Glebe Point, December 20th, 1865.

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VICTORIA HOUSE, PITT-STREET, SYDNEY.
We have much pleasure to announce the arrival of our annual shipments, specially adapted for our December and Christmas trade. All our departments are thoroughly assorted with the latest British and foreign productions, and we have much pleasure in calling attention to our
SILK, MANTLE, SHAWL, AND DRESS
Departments, more especially, in all of which we have goods specially adapted for Christmas and New Year's Gifts.
FARMER, PAINTER, and POPE,
Drapers and Importers.

CHRISTMAS NOVELTIES.
FARMER, PAINTER, and POPE are now exhibiting in their
GENTLEMEN'S CLOTHING DEPARTMENT,
a varied assortment of novelties specially adapted for the
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.
They comprise
GENTLEMEN'S SUMMER TWEED SUITS,
in entirely new mixtures.
GENTLEMEN'S SUPERIOR TROUSERS AND VESTS,
to match, warranted shrunk.
GENTLEMEN'S DARK SILK MIXED SUITS,
extra light textures for summer wear.
GENTLEMEN'S ZEPHYR SILK SACQUES,
with vests to match.
GENTLEMEN'S WHITE AND COLOURED MARCELLA
WASHING VESTS, price 7s 6d.
GENTLEMEN'S WHITE, BROWN, and FANCY DRILL TROUSERS, price 8s 6d to 13s 6d.
BOYS' ZOUAVE TWEED SUITS, 21s.
BOYS' NEW KNICKERBOCKER SUITS.
BOYS' NEW JACKET SUITS.
BOYS' GRASSCLOTH TUNICS.
Also,
GENTLEMEN'S LIGHT WASHING TIES.
GENTLEMEN'S MARCELLA AND RING SCARFS.
GENTLEMEN'S SILK CRIMEAN SHIRTS.
GENTLEMEN'S SPUN and FANCY COTTON HALF-HOSE.
Victoria House,
269 and 271, Pitt-street.

SUMMER HATS. SUMMER HATS.
FARMER, PAINTER, and POPE have just opened for their
CHRISTMAS TRADE,
6 CASES BOYS' LEGHORN HATS, WITH COLOURED RIBBONS
4 CASES GENTLEMEN'S LEGHORN HATS
4 CASES BOYS' FANCY STRAW HATS
4 CASES BOYS' WHITE STRAW HATS
1 CASE WHITE and COLOURED TURBANS,
269 and 271, Pitt-street.

WOOLLEN DEPARMENT
FARMER, PAINTER, and POPE respectfully invite customers to place their orders early for this department.
There are now being exhibited:
CHOICE PATTERNS in FANCY DRILLS
FINE MARCELLA VESTINGS
FANCY SILK MIXED COATINGS
BLUE CASHMERE for YACHTING
WHITE CASHMERE for SUMMER SUITS
EXTRA LIGHT BLACK BROADS for SUMMER WEAR.
Victoria House,
269 and 271, Pitt-street.

M'SHERRY, BROTHERS, beg respectfully to intimate to their numerous friends in Sydney and suburbs that they have opened the TAILORING ESTABLISHMENT lately occupied by Mr. Nixon, No. 1, Hunter-street. By strict attention to business, and from their superior and carefully selected assortment of cloths, they confidently hope to be enabled to give entire satisfaction to every one who may honour them with their patronage.
M'SHERRY, BROTHERS, beg also to remind their friends, their charges will be moderate, and they have no doubt that, after a trial, they will not fail to please even the most fastidious.
N.B.—An early inspection is solicited. Please note the address, 1, Hunter-street, one door, from George-street.

THE MARKET CLOTH HALL PRACTICAL TAILORING ESTABLISHMENT, 484, George-st.

THE MARKET CLOTH HALL.—Inspect our magnificent assortment of NEW GOODS.

THE MARKET CLOTH HALL.—The Largest Stock of WOOLLENS in the colony to select from.

THE MARKET CLOTH HALL.—The Noted House for Gents' RIDING PANTS and TROUSERS.

THE MARKET CLOTH HALL.—West of England Tweed TROUSERS and VEST, to order, 31s.

THE MARKET CLOTH HALL.—Every garment well made, well shrunk, and perfect fit guaranteed.

THE MARKET CLOTH HALL.—Good Black Lustre SAC COATS, to order, 18s.

THE MARKET CLOTH HALL.—Silk Mixture Suits, to measure, well shrunk and made, £3 10s.

THE MARKET CLOTH HALL.—All-wool TWEED SUITS, to order, well shrunk, £2 15s.

THE MARKET CLOTH HALL.—Good BLACK SUITS, to measure, make and fit guaranteed.

THE MARKET CLOTH HALL.—Black DOESKIN TROUSERS, to order, unequalled, at 25s.

THE MARKET CLOTH HALL.—The Public supplied with LENGTHS at wholesale prices.

THE MARKET CLOTH HALL.—Cricketing, &c., Flannel TROUSERS, to measure, 21s.

THE MARKET CLOTH HALL.—Fine Figured Blue Cloth SUITS, to order, £3 10s.

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MOST IMPORTANT EXPOSITION
of
PARISIAN AND ENGLISH FASHIONS
and
OTHER ELEGANCIES
Ex MAIL STEAMER MADRAS.
DAVID JONES and COMPANY solicit ladies, families, and visitors in Sydney, to make an inspection of these
MAGNIFICENT IMPORTATIONS,
landed from the mail steamer
MADRAS.
Their exposition THIS MORNING cannot fail to elicit approbation.
A more beautiful collection of SPECIALITIES has never been shown in the colonies, and but few London or Parisian establishments present so unique or comprehensive a display.
In addition to their usual monthly mail shipment of rich goods, they have imported for this particular season,
A superb variety of PARISIAN MILLINERY
Foreign REAL LACE MANTLES
The CASAQUE and TALMA, in the new De Clunie Lace
Special shapes in
Rich Gros Grain and Glace JACKETS, PALETOTS, and MANTLES
Wedding, dinner, and evening SILKS
Very rich moire ANTIQUES
Chene and broche LYONS SILKS
Plain French and Italian GLACES, in every shade
French printed MOUSSELINE DE SOIES
ORGANDIS, LISSES, and TISSUES, and other new and very chaste DRESS TEXTURES
REAL LACES, De Clunie, Maltese, Honiton
Valenciennes, Lassie, Bruxelles, &c., from ½ to 8 inches wide
Exquisite SASHES, in lace, silk, velvet
BODICES — PELERINES
COIFFURES — LAPPETS
CAMISOLES — CROWNS
Novelties, in CHEMISETTE, COLLAR, and CUFF Sets.
CANEZOUS, BRETELLES, PARASOL COVERS
Bridal Squares, in Honiton, Limerick, French Blond
The NEW FALLS and shaped VEILS, in Chantilly, Real Thread, Honiton, and Bruxelles Laces
Real Lace TUCKERS
Ladies' FRENCH CAMBRIC HANDKERCHIEFS, in most costly variety, trimmed Honiton, Bruxelles, Maltese, and Valenciennes
PARASOLS for carriage and promenade
FRENCH RIBBONS, Belts, Sash, and Bonnet
2 Cases FRENCH KID GLOVES
LADIES', GENTLEMEN'S, and CHILDREN'S size, viz.,
TREFOUSSE et CIE'S, 1st choix, in white, black, delicate, and dark colours
ROUILLON'S Josephine, ditto, ditto, ditto
In addition to the above,
D. J. and CO. have imported by the overland route a choice collection of FANCY BIJOUTERIE,
Articles of Vertu, &c.,
suitable for
WEDDING PRESENTS
NEW YEAR'S GIFTS
or
MERITORIAL PRESENTATION,
viz.,
WORK BOXES
JEWEL CASKETS — WRITING CASES
SEVRES porcelain trays — COMPANIONS, fitted.
DRESDEN, BOHEMIAN, and other ORNAMENTS
Real GOLD and precious JEWELLERY.
A magnificent variety
of
Patent JET, VULCANITE, and EBONITE Chains, Brooches, Necklets, &c.
Fans, in straight, feather, sliding, and screen shapes; in ivory, pearl, sandalwood, ebony, and gold
VINAIGRETTES and SMELLING BOTTLES, single and union.
Also, numberless other novelties introduced for this particular season.

GENTLEMEN'S SUMMER CLOTHING,
ex
WALTER HOOD.
DAVID JONES and COMPANY respectfully direct the attention of Gentlemen to their SUPERB importations of
READY-MADE CLOTHING,
the landing of which is just completed.
Their OUTFITTING DEPARTMENT at present vies successfully with the leading LONDON and PARISIAN ESTABLISHMENTS.
In their selections for this season they have made SPECIAL provision for the HOLIDAYS, and have just opened
THREE CASES
FANCY DRILL SUITS.
THIN TWEED and FLANNEL SUITS.
SILK-MIXED and SATARA SUITS.
ANGOLA and MELTON SUITS.
Russia DUCK and DRILL SUITS.
SERGARETTA and CASHMERETTA SUITS,
representing a choice of
FOUR HUNDRED SUITS,
of
an INEXPENSIVE description, suitable for
PICNICS, EXCURSIONS, YACHTING, CRICKETING, &c.
A PERFECT and EASY FIT IS GUARANTEED.
A beautiful collection of separate garments, viz.,
TROUSERS, VESTS, and COATS,
also
TROUSERS and VEST to match.
A choice variety of gentlemanly styles in MORNING, WALKING, and DUST COATS, in tussore silk, lustre, cashmere, grasscloth.
The PATENT AGATHON VESTS,
in white, plain, and fancy colours.
This is the COOLEST WAISTCOAT ever made, and is so cut that it must fit any figure.
FULL DRESS and MOURNING SUITS, in the best West of England Cloths.

IMPORTED EXPRESSLY
for
THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.
GENTLEMEN'S and YOUTHS'
SUMMER HATS.
DAVID JONES and CO. will show
Seven cases of TUSCAN and STRAW HATS,
embracing all the NEW SHAPES
now so much in favour in England.
They have also opened a beautiful collection of
INDIAN and ARABIAN PUGAREES,
TURKISH and EGYPTIAN TURBANS,
MOSAIC and DECCA HAT SCARFS.
D. J. and CO. have also landed
one case
Waddington's PICNIC UMBRELLA TENTS,
affording complete shade for thirteen persons, and folds into the same space as a gig umbrella.
Gentlemen are respectfully invited to inspect the above.

CARPETS AND FLOORCLOTHS,
Importations in
NOVEMBER and DECEMBER.
BRUSSELS CARPETS.
5 bales, ex Strathdon.
TAPESTRY CARPETS.
4 bales, ex Rifleman.
KIDDERMINSTER CARPETS.
3 bales, ex La Hogue.
ALL WOOL DUTCH CARPETS.
3 bales, ex Cinderella.
PATENT VICTORIA FELTS.
3 bales, ex La Hogue.
FLOORCLOTHS.
8 cases, ex Strathdon.
4 cases, ex Botanist.
Now Landing,
5 cases, ex Walter Hood.
Amongst these are some new and magnificent designs, hitherto not shown in the colony, and we can safely guarantee their wear.
New Brussels Carpets, 4s. 11d.
New Tapestry Carpets, 3s. 6d.
New Patent Tapestry Carpets, 3s. 9d.
Patent Wove Tapestry Carpets, 3s. 11d.
Kidderminster Carpets, yard wide, 1s. 11d.
Felt, 4 feet wide, 1s. 11d.
GEORGE CHISHOLM AND COMPANY, 390, George-street, adjoining the old Post Office.

J. FRANCIS, 275, Pitt-street, begs respectfully to invite inspection of the following goods, suitable for the present season, which he is determined to sell at the lowest possible prices.
Bonnets, in black and white tulle, 12s 6d
Bonnets, in all the newest styles, very cheap
Bonnets, in mourning, a great variety, very cheap
Hats, mushroom shape, all sizes
Hats, leghorn, all sizes and shapes
Hats, black satin straw, ditto ditto
Hats, tuscan ditto, ditto ditto
Hats, Luton ditto, ditto ditto, from 1s 11d each
Feathers, flowers, ribbons, straw, trimmings, &c.
Jackets, black silk, newest shapes
Jackets, marcella
Jackets, lustre
Jackets, muslin
Jackets, grasscloth
Jackets for children, all sizes and materials
Morning wrappers, in white check muslin
Morning wrappers, in grasscloth
Morning wrappers, in print, all new styles
Skirts of dresses, a variety, from 12s 6d
Skirts in black silk, trimmed, from £1 19s 6d
Parasols, gloves, hosiery, and fancy goods
Family linen of every description, very cheap
Family mourning, ditto ditto.
J. FRANCIS, 275, Pitt-street.

MILLINERY, Underclothing, Morning Wrappers, &c. Mrs. WAY, 263, Pitt-st., late 418, George-street.

MILLINERY.—Miss WATSON, 13, Parramatta-street, has just received a nice assortment of Straw and Leghorn HATS, &c. N.B.—Mushroom hats made to order.

THE LONDON HAT WAREHOUSE, Established A.D. 1836.—RICE and RUSSEL (late E. Jones), Tailors and Hatters, corner of George and Hunter streets, Sydney.

LADIES' ESTABLISHMENT,
86, KING-STREET,
SYDNEY.
EXTRAORDINARY ATTRACTIONS
FOR THIS WEEK,
AT THE GREAT SALE
of
FASHIONABLE DRAPERY GOODS,
purchased by our agent Mr. Griffiths,
in the
ASSIGNED ESTATE
of a large
ENGLISH MANUFACTURER.
NEW GOODS OPEN FOR THIS WEEK.

FRENCH MILLINERY BONNETS, only 10s 9d, worth 27s 6d.

TRIMMED HATS, very fashionable, only 6s 11d, worth 17s 6d.

FANCY CHECK MOHAIR DRESSES, only 4s 10½d, usual price 8s 9d.

CHALLI MOHAIR DRESSES, silk patterns, only 8s 9d, usual price 15s 9d

GRENADINE MOHAIR DRESSES, small patterns, only 6s 9d, usual price 12s 6d.

LADIES' BLACK SILK WALKING JACKETS, only 13s 6d, very cheap.

HANDSOME SILK WALKING JACKETS, semi-tight, only 21s, worth 35s.

FANCY GRENADINE SHAWLS, only 5s 11d, usual price 15s 6d.

LONG GRENADINE MOHAIR SHAWLS, only 9s 11d, worth 25s.

BLACK SILK LACE SHAWLS, only 12s 9d, very cheap.

FRENCH PRINTED MUSLINS, fast colours, only 4s 6d dress, usual price 7s 9d.

ORGANDIE PRINTED MUSLINS, fast colours, only 5s 10d, worth 12s 6d.

RICH BLACK GLACE SILKS, only 2s 6½d, very cheap.

FANCY CHECK GLACE SILKS, only 35s full dress, worth 47s 6d.

SPOTTED TAMBOUR BOOK MUSLINS, only 10½d, worth 1s 6d.

LUSTRE ALPACAS, silk finish, only 6½d, usual price 10½d.

FRENCH DELAINES, all wool, only 1s 0½d, worth 1s 6d.

LADIES' STRONG CRINOLINES, only 4s 11d, very durable.

LONGCLOTHS, 36-inches wide, only 6½d per yard, worth 9½d.

WHITE COTTON SHEETING, 2 yards wide, only 1s 6½d per yard, cheap at 2s 6d.

FRENCH LAWNS, FOR DRESSES, only 7s 11d full dress, worth 15s.

MUSQUITO NETS, very wide, only 1s 0½d, usual price 1s 9d.

LINEN DAMASK TABLECLOTHS, only 5s 11d each, worth 10s 6d.

CLOTH TABLE COVERS, all wool, only 12s 9d, worth 22s 6d.

SWISS AND LACE CURTAINS, 7s 11d the set, usual price 15s 9d.

MARCELLA AND TOILET QUILTS, only 8s 11d each, worth 14s 6d.

LADIES' WHITE COTTON HOSE, only 4½d per pair, very cheap.

HOYLE'S CAMBRIC PRINTS, fast colours only 8½d per yard, worth 10½d.

LADIES' FRENCH KID GLOVES, only 1s 0½d per pair, worth 3s.

LADIES' SILK PARACHUTES, only 2s 11d, worth 3s 9d.

The LARGEST and most FASHIONABLE ASSORTMENT of BONNETS, HATS, JACKETS, MANTLES, and SHAWLS EVER EXHIBITED,
in the LADIES' ROOM.
PLEASE NOTE THE PRICES for THIS WEEK, and ladies may rely upon having the GOODS at the PRICES ADVERTISED.
LADIES' ESTABLISHMENT,
ARDERN and EDMONDSON,
PROPRIETORS,
86, KING-STREET, SYDNEY.

BERLIN HOUSE
AND
CENTRAL GLASS SHADE DEPOT.
NEW GOODS EX MAIL STEAMER.
Mrs. W. READING,
having received by mail steamer and other late arrivals, a large assortment of fancy and other articles, would respectfully solicit the attention of the ladies of Sydney, the suburbs and country generally to the same, and especially to the undermentioned goods received by mail this day:—
TRACED MARCELLA GOODS FOR BRAIDING,
comprising
TOILET DRESSING-TABLE AND WASHSTAND SETS
TOILET BAGS AND TOILET COVERS
BRUSH AND COMB BAGS
WATCH POCKETS, DOYLEYS, &c., &c.
BRAIDS FOR BRAIDING, IN EVERY VARIETY
THE NEW POINTED CROCHET WAVE BRAID
AND
MANY USEFUL ARTICLES SUITABLE FOR PRESENTS.
90 and 92, MARKET-STREET,
SYDNEY.

NOW OPEN, ex Mail Steamer Madras.—2 CASES JOUVIN'S GLOVES, light delicate colours, drabs, and choice MEDIUM SHADES, stitched backs, black, white, and coloured.
Jouvin's DOUBLE BUTTONED GLOVES, choice colours, embroidered.
A CHRISTMAS PRESENT.
The CHOICEST GIFT for a lady is 6 PAIRS of HOBSON and WHITING'S best Gloves in a Sachet PARFUME.
SCARFS.—1 case of GENTLEMEN'S SCARFS, all the Newest Shades and materials for Summer Wear. Some very rich and new goods.
HOBSON and WHITING, Glovers and Hosiers, 69, Hunter-street.

THE CHEAPEST TAILORING ESTABLISHMENT IN SYDNEY, nearly opposite the School of Arts, Pitt-street. W. HOWES, proprietor.

Beautiful Silk-mixed Suits, made to order	£4	4	0
Fashionable All-wool Tweed Suits, to order	2	15	0
West of England Tweed Trousers and Vest, to order	0	35	0
Black Dress Trousers and Vest, to order	2	2	0
Black Lustre Alpaca Sacs, to order	0	18	0
Black Cloth Suits, fashionably made	4	10	0
Bedford Cord Riding Pantaloons, to order	1	5	0
Trousers, made to order, from choice materials and patterns	1	1	0

☞ Please Note the Address—
W. HOWES,
Nearly opposite School of Arts and Tattersall's hotel, Pitt-st

CENTRAL HOUSE,
368, GEORGE-STREET.
E. J. SCRIVENER and COMPANY beg respectfully to invite the attention of all classes to their list of prices, of
NEW AND MAGNIFICENT
FASHIONABLE SUMMER CLOTHING,
Just opened for the
FESTIVE SEASON.

	s.	d.		s.	d.
Tweed suits	35	0	to	60	0
Angola suits	37	6		63	0
Tweed sacs	15	6		25	0
Black cloth sacs	18	6		35	0
Black alpaca coats	8	6		15	6
Fancy summer coats	11	9		17	6
White and brown drill trousers	6	9		10	6
Black cloth vests	6	6		12	6
Ditto silk ditto	10	6		15	6
Summer tweed trousers	9	6		21	0
Boys' and youths' suits	18	6		27	6
Boys' sensation ditto	17	6		30	0
Boys' knickerbockers	15	6		23	6

Large assortment of hosiery, shirts, gloves, hats, caps, ties, braces, &c., &c.
Messrs. SCRIVENER and CO. beg to inform their patrons that they have added to the other branch of their business the manufacturing to order of all kinds of gentlemen's clothing, in which department they can confidently assert that unqualified satisfaction will at all times be rendered to gentlemen and families who may favour them with their patronage. The services of a first-class Cutter have been engaged to superintend the order department, and from the experience retained in the management of this branch, they can the more confidently recommend it. The charges for every description of apparel, whether made to order or otherwise, will be found strictly moderate, and they confidently hope that they may be accorded a liberal share of public patronage.
E. J. SCRIVENER and CO., Central House, 368, George-street.

CANARY, Hemp, and Rape Seeds.—Six tons ex Cinderella, fine condition. J. HAMILTON, Chippendale.

RING OUT THE BELLS FOR CHRISTMAS

Ring out the Bells for Christmas, and let us hope their chimes
Will banish thoughts of present cares, and tell of happier times,
Of seasons fraught with peace and joy, and happiness in store;
Ring out the Bells for Christmas, and let us pine no more.

Ring out the Bells for Christmas, and may their joyous sound
In every hearth and homestead cause happy hearts to bound,
The Drought is past, all care is gone, and Nature's face is gay,
Ring out the Bells for Christmas upon this happy day.

Ring out the Bells for Christmas, and let their tones now tell
Of those who still are far away from kindred bound to dwell,
And let us hope, tho' absent, their thoughts are with us here,
Ring out the Bells for Christmas, our gladsome hearts to cheer.

Ring out the Bells for Christmas, and may their tones once more
Lead us with willing heart and hand to help our struggling poor,
That at this happy season from cares they may be free,
Ring out the Bells for Christmas, for Love and Charity.

Ring out the bells for Christmas, of COHEN'S let them tell,
Who at their far-famed Monster Hall can suit all wants so well,
Coat, trousers, vests, and suits to match, first-class they can supply,
Ring out the Bells for Christmas, and herald them on high.

Ring out the Bells for Christmas, and let us hope their sound
Will cause our friends, both young and old, again to rally round,
And as it is our custom to please both great and small,
We trust again to see them at the MONSTER CLOTHING HALL.

We beg respectfully to invite the attention of all classes to our
LIST OF PRICES
of New and Magnificent
FASHIONABLE SUMMER CLOTHING,
Just opened for the
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

	s.	d.		s.	d.
Tweed suits	42	0	to	60	0
Angola suits	45	0		65	0
Tweed sacs	18	6		25	0
Black sacs	20	0		35	0
Black frock coats	45	0		65	0
Black alpaca coats	9	6		15	0
Fancy summer coats	12	6		18	6
White and brown drill trousers	7	0		10	6
Black cloth vests	7	6		12	6
Black and coloured velvet vests	21	0		23	0
Ditto ditto silk ditto	10	6		16	6
Summer tweed trousers	12	6		21	0
Boys' and youths' suits	25	0		40	0
Boys' sensation ditto	19	6		30	0
Boys' swiss ditto	14	6		22	0
Boys' knickerbocker ditto	14	0		21	0

Hats, Caps, Hosiery, &c.
METHOD OF TRADING.
All goods marked in plain figures. No abatement from the marked price. The money returned without hesitation.
COHEN, BROTHERS, and CO.,
Monster Clothing Hall,
402, George-street,
Sydney.

THE MONSTER CLOTHING HALL.
COHEN, BROTHERS and CO.
We are in receipt of large shipments, comprising every requisite for the present
SUMMER SEASON.
THE STYLE, CUT, AND FINISH OF EACH GARMENT
will, as usual, be found faultless, while the moderation in price, compared with other houses, will prove a sufficient inducement for our
TOWN AND COUNTRY FRIENDS
to avail themselves of the present opportunity for purchasing.
COHEN, BROTHERS, and CO.

☞ SUMMER ATTIRE. ☜
SUMMER TWEED SUITS, to match.
SUMMER TWEED SAC COATS.
SUPERFINE BLACK CLOTH FROCK COATS.
SUPERFINE BLACK CLOTH DRESS COATS.
SUPERFINE COLONIAL-MADE SAC COATS.
BLACK and COLOURED ALPACA COATS.
LIGHT TWEED and ANGOLA TOUSERS.
SUMMER DOESKIN and CLOTH TROUSERS.
WHITE and COLOURED DRILL TROUSERS.
SUMMER TROUSERS, of every description.
SUMMER TWEED and ANGOLA VESTS.
BLACK and COLOURED VELVET VESTS.
LIGHT and COLOURED SILK VESTS.
SUMMER DRILL and WASHING VESTS.
BOYS' and YOUTHS' CLOTHING, in every variety.
BOYS' and YOUTHS' SUITS, colonial made.
SUMMER HOSIERY, of every description.
&c., &c., &c.
METHOD OF TRADING:
ALL GOODS MARKED PLAIN FIGURES.
NO ABATEMENT from the MARKED PRICE.
ALL GOODS EXCHANGED IF NOT WORN.
The MONEY RETURNED without HESITATION.
COHEN, BROTHERS, and CO.,
Merchants, Tailors, Hosiers, and Outfitters,
MONSTER CLOTHING HALL,
402, George-street.

SUMMER HATS.—Just landed, a large and varied assortment of the above, by B. MOUNTCASTLE, 319, George-street, and 64, Market-street.
Hats and Caps made to order.

TENTS, TENTS, TENTS, TENTS, to be had ISAAC MOSS.

AMERICAN DUCK TENTS.—The only house in the trade to be had. ISAAC MOSS.

COLONIAL-MADE TARPAULINS, assorted sizes, 26 x 22, 24 x 20, 22 x 18, 20 x 18, 20 x 16, 18 x 16, 16 x 14, always to be had. ISAAC MOSS, 714, George-street South.

5 BALES NAVY CANVAS, from 1 to 4. ISAAC MOSS.

TO COUNTRY STOREKEEPERS and SQUATTERS, EXPORTERS, and others.—BOOTS and SHOES.—The undersigned is now manufacturing very extensively every description of Boots and Shoes required for the country trade, and is prepared to supply them on the most advantageous terms. All orders, accompanied by a cash remittance, or first-class references in Sydney, will have immediate attention. Lists of all articles manufactured, and prices, forwarded (post free) on application.
*** Contracts taken to any extent.
JAMES VICKERY, 375, George-street, Sydney.

TO COUNTRY STOREKEEPERS, SQUATTERS, SHIPPERS, and others.—SADDLERY and HARNESS.—JAMES VICKERY begs to inform his numerous patrons and the public at large that he is now prepared to execute their orders to any extent for the best description of Saddlery and Harness, of his own manufacture; as well as English Saddlery and Harness of every description; also Saddlers' Ironmongery and Materials, at such prices as must give general satisfaction. Lists of all articles manufactured and imported, with prices attached, forwarded (post free) on application.
JAMES VICKERY, 375, George-street, Sydney.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.
☞ F. LASSETTER has now on view a splendid assortment of choice goods suitable for Christmas presents, and imported by him specially for the present season. They include—
Bohemian Glass Lustres and Vases
Ditto ditto Toilette Bottles and Pomades
Ditto ditto Water Bottles and Coolers
Dresden China Dessert Services and Fruit Stands
Flower Stands and Centre Pieces
Elegant French Bronze Inkstands
Bronze Candlesticks and Candelabra
Bronze Chimney and Bracket Ornaments
Walnut Rosewood and Mahogany Writing Desks
Ladies' Workboxes
Electroplate Fruit and Fish Knives and Forks
Ditto Fish Carvers, in cases
Ditto Epergnes
Ditto Candelabra and Flower Vases
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NEW SOUTH WALES PARLIAMENT.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22.

THE PRESIDENT took his seat at 4 o'clock.

SUPREME COURT.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL gave notice of motion for the next sitting day for leave to bring in a bill to make further provision for the issue and service of process in the Supreme Court.

COURT OF REQUESTS.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL gave notice of motion for the next sitting day for leave to bring in a bill to consolidate and amend the District Courts Act.

After a considerable pause,

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL said that it would be in the recollection of the House that two very important bills had been sent down to the Assembly, and having been amended in this House, must come back to it. There was no business on the paper, and he proposed that this House adjourn till 6 o'clock, to give the Assembly time to consider the amendments that had been made here.

It was suggested by several members that when the House met again they might find that the other House had risen.

Mr. DEAS THOMSON said that if the Assembly assented to the amendments made in this House, the bill or bills might go on for the Royal assent without their concurrence being notified to this House. If the other House did not concur in the amendments, there was no knowing what fresh discussion might arise.

At this stage the matter became one of conversation, and the House in a short time retired for an hour.

At ten minutes to 6,

The CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES stated that the state of the bill for which they were waiting was this:—The Assembly, in committee, had agreed to the amendments of the Council, but the message to this House had not been agreed to. At present the Assembly were considering the new Duties Bill, and were now dividing on almost every item, and the House might have to wait some hours. He was in a dilemma himself, as he was acting for the Attorney-General, who had been compelled to leave, although he differed from the Attorney-General.

Mr. DEAS THOMSON said it was clearly of no moment that the bills should be returned to this House. He did not like to take upon himself to move the adjournment, but it would be very inconvenient to go away without an adjournment, as they must then come again on the next sitting day, and the members and officers of the House would be deprived of their customary holiday. He moved that the House at its rising adjourn to the 10th January.

Mr. JOHNSON seconded.

The motion was agreed to.

At five minutes past 7 p.m.,

Mr. ALLEN moved that the House do adjourn.

Mr. WEEKES seconded.

There being no other members present, the motion was carried.

The House accordingly stands adjourned to the 10th of January next.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY.

THE SPEAKER took the chair at the usual hour.

QUESTIONS.

Mr. BURNS asked the Colonial Secretary,—"If the Government intend to introduce in the Survey Department of this colony a system, similar to the one in existence in Victoria, for producing with facility and on the most economical terms, by means of photographic apparatus, copies of plans of public lands intended for sale."

Mr. COWPER said that the process had been found to be unsuitable for the purpose, and that soiled or damaged plans could not be copied by it.

Mr. FORSTER asked the Acting Secretary for Lands,—"1. Have the Government come to any decision respecting the appraisement of runs made by Mr. Bell, in the Lachlan district, alleged to have been made without notice to some of the parties? 2. If so, what is the decision? 3. Do the Government intend insisting on the appraisements referred to?"

Mr. COWPER said that the explanation of Mr. Bell had been received yesterday, and that gentleman denied the charge made against him. As it was necessary that the payment should be made on the 31st December, it was decided that the appraisement should be insisted on, subject, however, to any future action that might be taken.

Mr. FORSTER asked the Colonial Secretary,—"1. With reference to the answer to my question, No. 1, on the paper, made by the Colonial Secretary, on December 20, was it intended to convey that the action of the Executive Government, on the question submitted, will depend upon a vote of the Assembly, or upon the aggregate of opinions elicited by discussion, or that the legal rights of the parties will depend on the view taken by the Assembly? 2. If so, in what way is it intended to obtain the vote, or bring on the discussion in question?"

Mr. COWPER said that the Government had not any intention to interfere with the pensions referred to. Though they had been improvidently and unwisely granted, yet, having been confirmed, it was not the intention of Government to disturb the arrangement unless the Assembly passed a resolution requiring them to do so. The Government, however, would not take the initiative in the matter.

Mr. BUCHANAN asked the Colonial Secretary,—"When the depositions in the case of Mrs. Scott, of Merriwa, will be laid on the table of this House?"

Mr. COWPER said he was prepared to lay them on the table to-day.

Mr. DONNELLY asked the Acting Secretary for Lands,—"1. Is it true that Mr. Sub-Commissioner Scott, who is now in charge of the Hargraves Gold Fields, has disposed of, to private parties, the paddock hitherto used for police purposes, and allowed the said parties to measure off claims upon the same, for each of which a charge of £2 is to be made? 2. If so, upon what authority has Mr. Scott acted?"

Mr. COWPER said that Mr. Scott had been authorised to allow the Chinese to mine on the Government paddock at Hargraves, on which public money had been spent for fencing, on payment for each claim. The exact sum paid was not known. Mr. Scott had acted under the authority of the Minister for Lands.

PETITION.

Mr. GARRETT presented a petition from James Hurley, complaining of the diversion of the road through Boree, and seeking redress. Received.

MR. GOODIN.

Mr. FARNELL brought up a report from the select committee appointed to inquire into the case of William Goodin.

Ordered to be printed.

FORMAL MOTION.

Mr. WHITE moved,—"That the petition relative to the tax on dogs, presented by him on the 21st December, from certain inhabitants of Muswellbrook, be printed. Carried.

PAPER.

Mr. COWPER laid on the table copy of the depositions taken in the case of Mrs. Scott.

Ordered to be printed.

PRIVATE BILL.

The Clarence and New England Steam Navigation Company's Bill was read a second time, and passed through committee without amendment.

The third reading was fixed an order of the day for Tuesday, 2nd January.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. COWPER moved,—That this House, at its rising, do adjourn until Tuesday, the 2nd January next.

Mr. WILSON seconded the motion.

Mr. WHITE thought a longer adjournment was advisable, as some of the country members would be desirous of visiting their homes at this season. He proposed, as an amendment, that the House at its rising do adjourn until Tuesday, the 25th January next.

Mr. MARTIN thought the Government had fixed the right time. No doubt, in addition to increased taxation, great reductions in expenditure would have to be made, and it would be impossible for the Government to know in what way or to what extent the reductions were likely to be effected until the Estimates were partly gone through. If the House adjourned for so long a period as the 23rd, nearly a whole month of salaries would have to be paid without an item of the Estimates being passed. The whole question relative to our finances should be disposed of before another mail left.

Mr. CUMMINGS said the Government should have a reasonable time to mature their schemes, and he thought country members should have an opportunity of visiting their families and invigorating their health. He was, therefore, in favour of an adjournment until the 15th or 16th of January.

Mr. FORSTER understood the promise of the Government to effect retrenchment was founded upon the assumption that the House would speedily go into the consideration of the Estimates. To take more than a week for the amusements of Christmas would be most unusual, and would tend to lengthen the session, whilst hon. members were trying to make the country believe they were anxious to expedite the public business.

Mr. WALKER was in favour of a fortnight's adjournment.

Mr. LLOYD did not think the business of Parliament would suffer from a little extension of the time proposed by the Colonial Secretary.

Dr. LANG was in favour of a fortnight's recess. The amendment suggested an unreasonable postponement of the public business.

Mr. LUCAS thought it desirable to get over the session as soon as possible, so that next session Parliament might be called together in proper time, and it was his intention to propose the 9th January.

Mr. JOSEPH said if there was no necessity for adjournment let them go on with the business; but if they were to have one let it not be a mockery, as the health of hon. members must require reinvigorating after long sittings in this ill ventilated chamber.

Mr. PARKES did not think the convenience of country members would be met either by the original motion or the amendment, and he should therefore vote for the proposal of the Colonial Secretary.

The amendment was lost by a majority of 23 to 19, and the original motion carried by 28 to 13.

MESSAGES.

Messages were received from the Legislative Council, transmitting (1), without amendment, an Act to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales towards the service of the year 1866; (2) the Scab in Sheep Act Continuation Bill, with an amendment; and (3) a bill to regulate the Importation and Exportation of Horned Cattle, to the nature of the amendment of the Council on which Mr. SPEAKER directed the attention of the House.

SCAB IN SHEEP.

On the motion of Mr. COWPER, the amendment of the Legislative Council, in the bill to continue for a limited time and amend the Scab in Sheep Act, of 1863 was agreed to.

DUTIES OF CUSTOMS.

Mr. COWPER moved, that so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as will admit of the passing through all its remaining stages in one day, of a bill to impose Additional Duties of Customs.

Carried.

The bill was read a second time, and the House went into committee to consider of its details.

The 1st clause—29 Vic., No. 3, repealed—was agreed to.

Clause 2, "Duties of Customs to be levied in lieu of those under the said repealed Act."

Mr. EAGAR moved an amendment to except rum from the proposed duty of 10s. He said that the late Administration proposed an equalisation of the spirit duties of the same character as that to which hon. members had recently assented in committee of Ways and Means. But in the course of the discussion which arose the then Government were satisfied that, as a revenue measure, the proposal to tax rum at 10s. a gallon would fail, and a reduction to 8s. was agreed to. To show what would be *the operation* of the proposed increase he had taken from the daily papers the amount of duty paid on rum at 7s. during the *months July, August,* and September, 1864, and the amounts paid in the corresponding months of 1865, when the duty was 20 per cent. upon 7s. In the three *months of 1864 the aggregate* revenue was £32,432. In the corresponding months of 1865, when the duty had been increased to 8s. 4½d., the receipts were only £33,101, whereas if the revenue had increased in proportion to the increase of duty the receipts would have been £6500 more. The very small increase of £670 showed that an increase of duty did not necessarily occasion an increase of revenue. In a much larger degree the consumption would be diminished if the duty were raised to 10s. per gallon. There was another reason why this increased duty should not be imposed. Not only should we lose revenue by the diminished consumption, but we should lose, commercially speaking, by the effect of the increased duty on our Southern trade. And, thirdly, he was opposed to the proposed increase, because it would lead to injurious adulteration and illicit distillation.

Mr. COWPER said the duties were equalised in the other colonies around us, and in some cases the duties were higher, so that he could not see why there should be any difficulty in collecting equalised duties in New South Wales.

Mr. JOSEPH said the hon. member, Mr. Eagar, would find that the cause for the decrease in the importations of rum was in the fact that colonial rum had entered more largely into consumption. The hon. member, in making this movement, was no doubt actuated by the interests of the *publicans*. He (Mr. *Joseph*) hoped the committee would not allow any alteration to be made in this duty after it had been decided upon by a large House.

Mr. LUCAS denied that there had been an increase in the consumption of colonial-made rum, the increase of revenue on that article being attributable to a different cause. He did not believe that the increased duty now proposed would augment the revenue, and he urged that it was a tax upon one class. A duty of 10s. was too high, and would decrease the revenue. The publicans who desired to pay a proper revenue might be ruined by it, while the person who dealt with the smuggler would make large profits. For these reasons he should oppose the duty of 10s per gallon.

Dr. LANG referred to the fact that in past years the high duty (9s.) on rum had given rise to an enormous amount of illicit distillation, which continued until the duty was lowered. So that the Government need not expect much increase of revenue from a duty of 10s.

Mr. BURDEKIN did not think it advisable to re-open the discussion upon these duties, as it would lead to another debate upon the merits of an ad valorem scheme.

Mr. BUCHANAN believed the importation of rum would greatly decrease by raising the duty to 10s., deprive the Government of a large amount of revenue, demoralise the people by encouraging illicit distillation and smuggling, and cause deleterious adulteration. He again complained that by the scheme of the Government the labouring classes paid by far the largest proportion of the burdens of the people, contributing to the revenue more than three times the amount contributed by the other classes. He should support the amendment of Mr. Eagar.

Mr. TUNKS said he had voted against the increased duty on rum as likely to defeat the object with which it was proposed. In former years the high duty had encouraged the demoralising pursuits of illicit distillation and smuggling, to which it would again lead many persons, now that the wages of labour were coming down, and especially as there was a corresponding increase in the duty on sugar. If the amendment went to a division he should vote against it.

Mr. PARKES would not vote for the amendment as he regarded it as unconstitutional to undo in a small House what had been done in a large one. He should not therefore vote at all.

The amendment was put, and negatived on division by a majority of 15 to 8; the minority being—Messrs. Tighe, Burns, Eagar, Egan, Buchanan, Tunks, Hurley, and Lucas.

The clause was then agreed to.

On clause 3 being proposed, Mr. Forster moved to include, amongst the exceptions, agricultural implements.

The proposed amendment was put, and negatived on division by a majority of 24 to 11.

Mr. BUCHANAN moved that boots and shoes should be included amongst the exemptions. This also was put, and negatived on division by a majority of 26 to 7.

Mr. BUCHANAN moved that mechanics' tools should be included amongst the exemptions. This was put, and negatived on division by a majority of 28 to 4.

Mr. FORSTER moved that printed books be included amongst the exemptions.

Mr. PIDDINGTON supported this amendment, as there was no country in which there was an ad volorem duty where printed books were not excepted.

The committee divided, and the amendment was carried by a majority of 17 to 11.

The clause, as amended, was agreed to.

Clauses 4, 5, and 6 were also agreed to.

Mr. FORSTER moved that the seventh clause be amended by the addition of the following words—"and shall continue in force until the 31st December, 1866." The object of the amendment was to prevent the Act from continuing in force any longer than one year. This proposal for ad valorem duties had been carried, as hon. members knew, in a very extraordinary manner. The objects of some of the hon. members who had voted for the proposal had been because they thought that the "incidental protection" of ad valorem duties was a special recommendation to their adoption, independent altogether of the present emergency. Another section of the House had, however, also voted for these duties from motives quite opposed to those who supported them because of their quasi-protective character. He was himself of opinion that ad valorem duties were of a character that manifested a tendency to promote the interests of the dishonest trader, in preference to those of the honest trader, and he was therefore not favourable to them in ordinary cases. His objections to them, nevertheless, on account of their supposed general tendency, were not so great as to induce him to think that the legislature was precluded from temporarily having recourse to them under circumstances of great emergency. They were precisely in such circumstances at present, and might therefore, as he thought, have recourse to them. A temporary existence of these duties was not likely to call the evils anticipated into active operation; but it would still be very desirable that some limit should be placed upon the time of their operation. The tariff of the hon. member for Sydney West (Mr. Eagar) had been supported by him (Mr. Forster) on the same motives as those which had actuated him in voting for the present scheme—namely, that there was a pressing emergency. This might be a good *reason for assenting to the imposition of such duties,* but was none whatever for their perpetuation. The Government ought to be compelled to come to that House from year to year for any continuance of the taxation now given to them by the House. The taxation was one which, as it would be remembered, had been granted to the House on a special promise of retrenchment of £100,000 by the Government.

Mr. MACPHERSON said that he had given his support to the proposal for ad valorem duties merely for the credit of the country, and must deprecate the adoption of the amendment of the hon. member for the Hastings. He had no wish to see the contest about these taxes renewed as a party question at the end of twelve months. If the people of the country were determined to have railways, as they appeared to be, it was clear to him that the Government must have funds to carry them on.

Mr. PARKES did not think that the arguments of the hon. member for Central Cumberland were worth much. The ad valorem duties were voted by the majority of members of that House as an emergency, and the very meaning of "emergency" involves the idea of a mere temporary provision. He held that the Government were bound to revise the whole system of taxation, and thought it was quite inconsistent with their position as members of that House and as members of the community, to concur in the view that there ought not to be a limitation of this scheme. It was an amendment quite in accordance with the very arguments by which the Government had supported their adoption.

Mr. CUMMINGS thought the amendment a childish one, because the House had power at any time to amend the bill.

Mr. LUCAS thought it best to pass the bill without limitation. It would be easy to repeal it when the emergency which rendered it necessary had ceased.

Mr. BURNS said he would vote for the proposed limitation.

Mr. BUCHANAN said he thought emergency implied limitation, and it was the duty of hon. members, by limiting this measure, to give an assurance that an Act imposing duties of a vexatious character had only been agreed to to meet a great emergency.

Mr. DE SALIS thought with Mr. Parkes, that an *emergency measure meant* a temporary measure, and he maintained that those who did not vote for limiting the operations of this bill must be absolutely in favour of ad valorem duties.

Mr. WILSON was in favour of limitation, but they would be stultifying themselves by limiting these duties to one year. He had little hope of any large extent of retrenchment, and for the central Government to get any sensible relief by the establishment of municipalities would take several years, and in the meantime we should require this taxation. We had something else to do than to discuss measures of taxation over again each session. If some one would move that the operation be limited to three years he would give his concurrence.

Mr. PIDDINGTON thought the emergency would then be as great as now, and he could not see why any principle of limitation should be introduced, as the taxation was just as likely to be required in 1869 as it was at present. It was impossible that this taxation could enable the Government to get rid of their deficit balances, amounting to £800,000, if it was to be limited to one or two years. He did not argue with Mr. Wilson that the expectation of retrenchment was altogether visionary. He (Mr. Piddington) was inclined to accept as sincere the promises of the Government on this point, initiated, as such retrenchment was, by an Act of Parliament. Seeing that in this and the past session, additional taxation to the extent of half-a-million had been authorised, he did not see how hon. members could meet their constituents unless they insisted peremptorily upon a reduction in the expenditure. He should support the bill without limitation.

Mr. CALDWELL could not support the limitation of the bill for one year. It had only been because this was a case of extreme necessity that he had given his consent to *this* motion; but, having given this, and knowing the duties to be distasteful to the public, he should certainly object to their being continued for any lengthened period. *Still he did* not think that one year was sufficient, though, perhaps, three years might be sufficient. He thought that whilst they were going on increasing taxation they ought also to diminish the expenditure. This could only be done by the establishment of municipalities; and some sort of pressure must be brought to bear upon the various localities to oblige them to incorporate themselves. It was monstrous that not so much as a petty bridge could be erected without the central Government being called upon to do it. He hoped the committee would reject the proposed limitation.

Mr. DE SALIS, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. BUCHANAN, and Mr. LUCAS addressed the committee upon various topics unconnected with the motion before the committee.

Mr. FORSTER proposed to alter the amendment, limiting the operation of the bill to two years instead of one, in order to meet the views of some hon. members who thought one year too short a period for the operation of the bill. It was quite necessary to have some limitation to the bill, for when hon. members talked about the ease with which the Act could be at any time repealed, they forgot the negative power possessed by the other branch of the Legislature. By limiting the period of the bill the House would leave it in their power at any time to bring the Government to account, whilst they retained in their own hands the authority over the finances of the country, which was theirs, and theirs only. By making these duties *permanent* they would give to the other branch of the Legislature an equal power with themselves, by allowing that other branch to say whether the taxation should *cease or not*. Then the true way of keeping this or any other Government in the right road was not to trust them too much, but always to retain in the hands of the House the power of bringing them to book. This could be done in no better way than by keeping the power of taxing in their own hands, and so of making the Government come to them again if they were in want of money, and of explaining fully how and why it was that the money was required.

Mr. TERRY objected to the amendment being altered from "1866" to "1867."

Mr. PARKES thereupon moved that the word "seven" in the proposed amendment be substituted for "six."

The question was then put—that the word six (proposed to be omitted) should stand part of the amendment—with the following result:—

Ayes 22.

Mr. Cowper	Mr. Farnell	Mr. Grahame
Smart	Phelps	Pickering
Cunneen	Piddington	Josephson
Eagar	Macleay	White
Terry	Gordon	Lucas
Sutherland	Tunks	Macpherson } Tellers.
Cummings	Pemell	
De Salis	Outley	

Noes 9.

Mr. Forster	Mr. Parkes	Mr. Wilson
Buchanan	Tighe	Burns } Tellers.
Caldwell	Neale	Campbell }

The amendment upon the amendment was therefore negatived.

Mr. PARKES said that some very singular speeches had been made that evening, and, amongst them there had been a very singular speech from the hon. member for the Hawkesbury (Mr. Piddington), who appeared to think, now that he had carried his amendment about the admission of books without duty, that this was really a perfect measure of taxation. He could not help thinking that the course the hon. member had taken foreshowed the prospect of some happy reconciliation between himself and his former leader, the hon. member now at the head of the Government benches. The hon. member's views as to what an emergency was were very extraordinary. He had assumed that all taxation was a matter of emergency—from which he (Mr. Parkes) altogether dissented. There was nothing in what had been proposed by himself and the hon. member for the Hastings that had deserved the comments some hon. members had been pleased to make.

The amendment moved by Mr. Forster was then put, and negatived on the following division:—

Ayes, 8.

Mr. Forster	Mr. Burns	Mr. Tighe } Tellers.
Parkes	Hay	De Salis }
Buchanan	Neale	

Noes, 25.

Mr. Cowper	Mr. Phelps	Mr. Pemell
Smart	Parnell	Eagar
Cunneen	Josephson	Macleay
Macpherson	Caldwell	Tunks
Wilson	Grahame	Martin
Campbell	Pickering	Sutherland }
White	Gordon	Piddington }
Cummings	Terry	Tellers.
Outley	Lucas	

Mr. FORSTER moved that the clause be amended by the addition of the words, "and shall continue in force until the 31st December, 1867."

Mr. TERRY said that amendment had been already put.

Mr. FORSTER said it had not. What had been put was, whether the word "six" should be changed to "seven."

Mr. GARRETT ruled that the amendment had already been substantially put, and negatived.

Mr. FORSTER moved that the Chairman do leave the chair, and submit the matter to the Speaker.

On the question being put—that the point of order raised be reported to the Speaker—it was negatived by a majority of 24 to 7.

The clause was then put, and agreed to without division.

Clause 8—indemnity of officers of Customs—was then put, and agreed to without discussion.

Clause 9. "This Act may be cited as the additional Customs Duties Act of 1865."

Mr. BUCHANAN proposed by way of amendment, to add after the word Act in the first line the words "shall continue in operation two years and one month."

The amendment was negatived on a division of 23 to 9, and the clause was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The bill was reported to the House, the report was adopted.

COLONIAL SPIRIT DUTIES.

The Colonial Spirit Duties Bill was, on the of motion Mr. Cowper, read a second time and committed.

A new clause was agreed to—"duty on contracts made before the passing of the Act, to be paid by purchaser, or purchaser may abandon contract."

The bill was reported without further amendment, and the report was adopted.

COAL-FIELDS.

Mr. TIGHE moved the second reading of a bill to amend the Coal-fields' Regulation Act of 1862. The miners were not able to secure their wages whenever it so happened that any of the owners of collieries were involved in pecuniary difficulties. A bill of this description was brought before the House last session. It was considerably altered in the Legislative Council, and subsequently fell through in consequence of the prorogation of Parliament. This bill was the same in substance as that which had before received the assent of the House. Under the Masters and Servants Act, at present, if a colliery or establishment of the kind be conducted by an agent, and the owner of the property happened to become insolvent, or absent from the colony, there was no provision enabling the persons employed to obtain their wages in a summary way; they being thus thrown upon the usual mode of procedure to which merchants and others engaged in large transactions would be obliged to resort. The law, therefore, precluded miners from obtaining wages under circumstances that had arisen on more occasions than one recently. It had been laid down by the Supreme Court that it was illegal for magistrates to issue orders of distress unless they had previously summoned and heard the person against whom the claim was made. Now most of the coal mines in this country were conducted by agents, the real proprietors residing out of the colony, and the agreements and business transactions with the persons employed were conducted through the agents. If the state of the law was as indicated by the decision of the Supreme Court, that a miner could not obtain his wages until he found the bona fide master, it was tantamount to a refusal to give him any redress. No doubt, it was desirable that the owners should be summoned and heard if they could be brought before the Court; but if they could not be found in the colony, and it was physically impossible to bring the parties forward, it could not be just that the miner should be deprived of his earnings. When a miner got a magistrate's decision in his favour, the agent might give an order upon his employer, and whatever its value, nothing more could be demanded. It must be clear that it was a proper principle that when persons entrusted their business to agents duly authorised to act for them, and failed to supply them with sufficient funds to carry out their legal agreements, the persons employed should have an opportunity of recovering their wages just as if the master were present. The magistrates ought to have the power to levy upon the goods and chattels just as if the actual proprietor were present. This question need not open up the whole question with reference to all classes of servants. There were other Acts of Parliament that had been applied to special cases. The gold-fields formed an example of the principle contained in this bill being applied to other cases. It was a recognised principle of law that partners could not sue each other on matters of account, and yet there was a provision contained in the Gold Fields' Regulation Act, which allowed of this being done, and arranged for partners suing each other when there were matters in account between them. In the Coal Fields' Regulation Act of England, there was a provision that colliers should not be paid in public-houses, and yet this might have been objected to equally with this bill, on the ground that it might have been made applicable to all trades. There were many other Acts on the Statute book that were equally as liable to be designated as class legislation; and yet they had been found necessary, just as well as he had proved, as he believed, that this bill was necessary. It ought to be the duty of this House in a colony like this to give every possible encouragement to men employed in this work. Our coal-fields were now increasing every year, and, for some years past had been doubling itself every ten years. Ten years ago there were only fourteen coal mines in the colony, producing 137,076 tons of coal, of the value of £59,082; whilst in 1864 there were twenty-five mines at work, producing 594,012 tons of coal, of the value of £270,171 per annum. At this rate the value of the coal raised in 1869 would be over half a million; and if they went on like this, the value of the coal raised increasing, whilst that of wool remained stationary, the value of the coal produced would very soon overtake that of the wool. Her coal-fields had been the source of all the greatness of Britain, and there was little doubt but they would be the foundation on which the future greatness of this colony would be based. At no very distant day he anticipated that there would be as many men employed in the collieries of the colony as there were now men, women, and children in it altogether. Under such circumstances the House ought to do something to remove the disadvantages under which these men laboured, especially as it was no very great favour that was required. A very large number of men were now employed in this work, and there was no class of men that gave less trouble to the Government. They were orderly and well behaved, and crime was almost unknown amongst them. They consumed a large amount of dutiable articles, paying their full share to the revenue and yet receiving little or nothing from the Government in return. On all these accounts the House might well do all in their power to aid these men by altering such portions of the law as operated harshly against them. Whenever it was found desirable to put the present law in force as against the employed, no defect was found in the operation of the existing Act; men could be imprisoned under it at the instance of the masters, it was only when the colliers desired to enforce their claims for wages against their absent employers that any defect in the law was discoverable. [The hon. member then briefly recapitulated the purport of the different clauses of the bill and proceeded.] The only objection that had ever been advanced against the bill was that it was a species of class legislation, and that was the only objection which had been advanced against the measure in another place. He had shown, as he thought conclusively, that if it was a species of class legislation, it was a species of legislation which was no novelty, and one which was required for the sake of substantial justice. In the other House, the principle of the bill had not been objected to. Though some of the clauses had been struck out, the bill was not rejected. All that was done was to pass a clause proposing to bring the case of these colliers under the operation of the Masters and Servants Act, which it was held to be already. He hoped that the House would assent to the second reading of the bill.

Mr. MACPHERSON moved that the debate be adjourned until that day three weeks—the 12th of January. It was, no doubt, a very important bill, but the House did not appear to be inclined to proceed with it.

Mr. SUTHERLAND opposed the adjournment, and Mr. FORSTER supported it.

Mr. CUMMINGS said that the evil complained of was a very great one—one that affected a very large class of labourers. He thought, however, that the bill was well drawn, and had therefore no doubt but that it would soon be done with if its discussion were entered upon.

The motion for the adjournment was then put and agreed to without division.

THIRD READINGS.

Mr. COWPER moved,—"That the Additional Customs Duties Bill be now read a third time."

Mr. PARKES moved,—"That the bill be recommitted, for the purpose of further considering the 3rd clause."

The amendment was put and negatived on a division of 18 to 5.

After some further observations from Mr. PARKES, the bill was read a third time, on a division of 20 to 7, and passed.

The Colonial Spirits Duty Bill was also read a third time and passed.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. COWPER moved that the House do now adjourn.

Mr. LUCAS moved, by way of amendment, that the House should adjourn to the 9th January next.

After some conversation, in which Mr. BURNS, Mr. FORSTER, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. PARKES took part.

Mr. SPEAKER ruled that the proposed amendment was not admissible; and

The House adjourned at 11 o'clock until 3 on the 2nd January next.

LAW.

SUPREME COURT.—FRIDAY.

SPECIAL SITTINGS IN BANCO.

BEFORE their Honors Sir ALFRED STEPHEN, Chief Justice, Mr. Justice CHEEKE, and Mr. Justice FAUCETT.

SPECIAL (CRIMINAL) CASE.

THE QUEEN V. HUGHES—POWERS OF THE REGISTRAR OF THE INSOLVENCY DEPARTMENT.

This was a special case from Darlinghurst. The prisoner had been tried and convicted before Mr. Justice Cheeke on a charge of perjury, but certain questions had been raised as to the legality of this conviction. The decision of the Court was now asked upon these points.

Mr. Darley, instructed by Messrs. Rowley and Holdsworth, appeared in support of the objections; and Mr. Butler, instructed by the Crown Solicitor, in support of the conviction.

The prisoner, Enough Hughes, was insolvent, and the perjury with which he was charged was said to have been committed at a meeting of creditors for proof of debts, in his estate, presided over by the Registrar of the Insolvency department. The alleged perjury consisted in the making, upon oath, of the following statement:—"I never was in partnership with my father. I ordered the goods from Mr. Fitzpatrick as my father's agent. I never guaranteed payment for those goods." It was proved that this statement was false. The objections raised against the connection laid all the reference to the power of the Registrar. They were—1. That there was no proof of his being a Commissioner of the Supreme Court to take affidavits and evidence on oath. 2. That there was no proof of any authority from the Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates to the Registrar to hold the meeting of creditors in question. 3. That the Registrar had no power or authority to administer an oath.

The 5th Victoria, No. 17, section 36, enacted that meetings and evidence for the proof of debts could be held and taken before the Chief Commissioner only; but the 25th Vic., No. 8, sec. 9, authorised the Chief Commissioner to depute this duty to the Registrar. But, it was contended that there was no such delegation of power here; and that the Registrar had not, without such delegation, the necessary authority. A business paper, initialled by the Chief Commissioner, was in evidence, and the meeting in question was a part of the business therein mentioned as to be transacted by the Registrar, but it was contended that this was too informal a document to operate as a delegation of duty and of powers under the 25 Vic., No. 8, sec. 9.

Their HONORS, without calling upon Mr. Butler, sustained the conviction, holding that the business paper alluded to—although a very informal document—was sufficient to give authority to the Registrar to hold the meeting.

IN EQUITY.

Before their Honors Sir ALFRED STEPHEN, Chief Justice, Mr. Justice HARGRAVE, and Mr. Justice FAUCETT.

BROOKS AND ANOTHER V. RICHARDSON AND OTHERS.

EQUITY APPEAL.

The argument in this case was resumed, and lasted the whole day without being concluded.

JUDGMENTS.

ECCLESIASTICAL JURISDICTION.

Before his Honor Mr. Justice HARGRAVE, Primary Judge.

ESTATE OF — CHADWICK, DECEASED.

His HONOR gave judgment (on Thursday) in this case as follows:—

This was an application made yesterday before me on behalf of the executor of the will of a testator who died in December, 1864, for an allowance of £5 per cent. on £71,126 16s. 3d., being the value of the testator's property, consisting chiefly of stations in the south-western portions of the colony. It was argued in support of the application that if the executor had sold the property, which he might have done under the will, he would have received an equal amount of commission to that now claimed; and that he ought not to be prejudiced by his forbearance in not realising, which he thought best for his *cestui que* trusts. I have made inquiries, and find that there has been no such practice as that stated; but that in all cases the allowance depends on the circumstances of each case. The allowance being made under the charter of justice "for pains and trouble," I cannot take into any consideration the argument as to the executor not having realised, but must consider only the actual "pain and trouble" incurred in this particular estate; and having regard to all the circumstances of the accounts now passed, I allow the executor 2½ per cent. on his receipts, which I am informed amount to about £8000. Of course the parties beneficially interested are quite at liberty to pay the executor any additional amount they think proper; but under the practice of this Court, I cannot allow any higher amount.

IN EQUITY.

Before his Honor Mr. Justice HARGRAVE, Primary Judge.

WYSE V. HEGGARTY.

His HONOR (also on Thursday) gave judgment in this case as follows:—

This was a bill for the dissolution of partnership between the plaintiff and defendant, and for the necessary accounts.

It appeared that by the partnership agreement, entered into in August, 1862, it was agreed that the plaintiff and defendant should purchase by free selection, under the Crown Lands Alienation Act of 1861, 320 acres of land near Howlong, on the Murray River, as co-proprietors, and cultivate and improve the same for five years; each party to pay equal shares of the purchase money; the plaintiff to advance all working expenses until the first crop was stored, also all rations and tools, horses and drays, for the said term; at the end of the term the defendant to pay the plaintiff half the working expenses to the first crop; the proceeds of crops to be equally divided. The defendant also agreed that any land selected in the name of his son, S. H. Heggarty, adjoining the said joint-selection should be partnership property, &c. The sum of £40 each was paid by plaintiff and defendant as deposit for the land selected, and thirty acres were fenced in and cultivated, besides two acres of vineyard; and under the above mentioned agreement the partnership was carried on amicably until about August, 1863, when disputes arose which ultimately culminated in the plaintiff filing the present bill, upon which the late Primary Judge (Mr. Justice Milford) made a decree, dated 13th May, 1864, whereby, after directing the dissolution of the partnership from that date, and that the 140 acres selected in the name of S. H. Heggarty should be considered partnership property, and that the defendant was to be charged in account with the plaintiff with half the value of the same, the usual accounts and inquiries were directed to be taken, with other special accounts of the advances made by each partner, a valuation of the defendant's labour, and other directions, accounts, and inquiries according to the facts established at the hearing.

Under this decree the Master has now taken all these accounts, and by his report it appears that the plaintiff had advanced the sum of £778 18s. 4d. to the partnership purposes; and that the defendant had received the sum of £421 8s. 7d. on account of the partnership, and paid the sum of £325 11s. 7d. on account of the partnership; that the defendant was entitled to the sum of £377 0s. 6d. in respect of the labour of himself and family on account of the partnership; that the plaintiff was to be charged with the sum of £77 10s. in respect of implements, &c., abstracted from the partnership; that the defendant was to be allowed the sum of £ , being interest at 8 per cent. per annum on the sum of £389 9s. 4d., by way of rebate for earlier payment of the half expenses incurred between the selection of the partnership property and the reaping of the first crop upon the same, such half expenses being payable on the 16th August, 1867; that the sum of £250 was to be allowed as the value of the 140 acres selected in the name of Heggarty, and the defendant charged with £125, half the value thereof. It also appeared that the partnership property now in the hands of the receiver, consisted of 320 acres of land, with 593 rods of fencing, a four roomed cottage, and other farm buildings, stockyard, &c., about two acres of vineyard, and two acres of orchard well stocked with fruit trees; about fifty acres of cleared land, well, and tank, and grass paddock; also, 140 acres of land, with 439 rods of fencing, and about sixty acres of cleared land, with sundry tools, implements, furniture, and other chattels, &c. as specified particularly in the Master's report.

The balance-sheet of the partnership was therefore found by the Master to be as follows:—

	£	s.	d.
To amount of advances by plaintiff	£778	18	7
By implement deduction	77	10	0
Due to plaintiff by partnership	£701	8	7
To amount of advances by defendant	£325	11	7
To value of labour of defendant and family....	377	0	6
	£702	12	1
By amount received by defendant	421	8	7
	£281	3	6
Deduct half value of H. S. H.'s selection	125	0	0
Due to defendant by co-partnership	£166	3	6

The cause came on before me for further directions and costs on last; and Mr. Butler, for the plaintiff, contended for the repayment out of the partnership property of the sum of £701 8s. 7d., due to plaintiff, less the sum of £166 3s. 6d. due to defendant, and that the decree should also direct the defendant to pay what deficiency (if any) should remain due to the plaintiff, over and above the amount realised by the partnership property; and that the surplus of such realisation (if any) should be divided equally between plaintiff and defendant. Mr. Gordon, on the other hand, for the defendant, contended that the net partnership fund should be divided according to the proportions of the sums found due from the partnership to each partner. The position of partners *as to amounts* due to them, and as to over-payments received by them, and the equitable mode of treating such matters, was, however, much discussed in the case of Richardson v. Bank of England, 4 Mgl. and Cr. 165 (1838), when Lord Chancellor Cottenham thus lucidly explained the equities on such topics:—

"Though the terms 'creditor and debtor' are used in partnership more as between partners and the partnership, and are sufficient to explain what is meant by the use of them nothing can be more inconsistent with the known law of partnership, than to consider the situation of either party, as in any degree resembling the situation of those whose appellation has been so borrowed. The supposed 'creditor' has no means of compelling payment of his debt; and the supposed 'debtor' is liable to no proceedings either at law or in equity—assuming always that no separate security has been taken or given. The supposed creditor's debt is due from the firm of which he is a partner; and the supposed debtor owes the money to himself in common with his partners, and pending the partnership, equity will not interfere to set right the balance between the partners. Indeed, it could not do so with effect, inasmuch as immediately after a decree has enforced payment of the money supposed to be due, the party paying might, in exercise of his power as a partner, repossess himself of the same sum.

"But if, pending the partnership, neither law nor equity will treat such advances as debts, will it be so after the partnership has determined, before any settlement of account, and before the payment of the joint debts or the realisation of the partnership estate? Nothing is more settled than that, under such circumstances, what may have been advanced by one partner, or received by another, can only constitute items in the account. There may be losses, the particular partner's share of which may be more than sufficient to exhaust what he may have advanced, or profits more than equal to what the other has received, and until the amount of such profit and loss be ascertained by the winding up of the partnership affairs, neither partner has any remedy against or liability to the other, for payment from one to the other of what may have been advanced or received."

So in Crawshay v. Collins, Lord Chancellor Eldon said:—"Where a sum is advanced as a loan to an individual partner, his profits are first answerable for that sum, and if his profits shall not be sufficient to answer it, the deficiency shall be made good out of his capital; and if both his profits and his capital are not sufficient to make it good, *he is considered as a debtor for the excess.* The money drawn out by any partner ceases to be part of the joint stock, so that, upon bankruptcy, the joint creditor cannot recall it, unless there had been a fraudulent abstraction."—Ex parte Yonge. Again, in Foster v. Donald, Lord Eldon says, "If a partner, as partner, receives money belonging to the firm, and, admitting that he has received it, insists that there is a balance in his favour, there is no pretence for making him pay it in."

These established maxims, therefore, as laid down by these decisions, must guide the decree in this case; and after providing for the repayment of the money advanced for the completion of the purchase of the partnership property, with interest thereon, I direct that the partnership property ought to be sold; and after payment thereout of the costs of each party, the net surplus of such partnership property should be added to the nominal amounts due from the partnership to each partner, as found by the Master's report; and this total, being divided by two, will give the nominal share of each partner, and after deducting from such nominal share the said nominal amount due from the partnership to the other partner, the balance will be the actual share due to each partner. If the defendant's nominal share should be less than the amount due to the plaintiff from the partnership, he must, under Lord Eldon's maxim, be considered a debtor to the plaintiff for the excess. It is to be hoped, however, that the partnership property will realise sufficient to prevent any such contingency; or that the parties will re-arrange their partnership, so that so much capital and industry should not be thus further squandered in useless litigation.

METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COURT.

FRIDAY.

BEFORE Mr. District Judge M'FARLAND.

INTERPLEADERS.

TOOGOOD V. BINGHAM.

This was an interpleader suit to determine the ownership of certain goods levied upon by the plaintiff, in satisfaction of a judgment obtained in the District Court. It appeared that in August last the goods in question (household furniture) were seized upon at the suit of one Delheney, and sold by the Sheriff to one Burton, the present claimant, for £117 10s. 6d. The present claimant allowed them to remain in defendant's possession, holding over them a bill of sale as security. In October last, the present plaintiff obtained a judgment against the defendant, in the District Court, and put in an execution to obtain satisfaction of his judgment. Mr. Burton then put in his claim to the goods, and the present interpleader suit was to determine to whom they belonged. It was contended for the execution creditor that there was no proof that the goods now claimed were the same that the claimant purchased from the Sheriff. His Honor after hearing counsel on both sides, found for the claimant. Mr. Salomons, instructed by Mr. Banbury, appeared for the claimant; Mr. Simpson, for the execution creditor.

HOLLEGE V. CHANDLER.

This was another interpleader suit, to try the ownership of goods levied upon, in satisfaction of a judgment obtained in the Armidale District Court. The case for the claimant was, that he (Lomar) went into partnership with the defendant (Chandler), and purchased with his own money the stock-in-trade of the partnership. During the existence of the partnership, the present execution creditor obtained a judgment against the defendant, and he (defendant) being very ill, his partner, Mr. Lomar, went to the attorney for the execution creditor, and obtained an extension of time. Subsequent to this the partnership was dissolved, and on the 7th of October last, Lomar took possession of the whole of the stock-in-trade under a deed of assignment executed by himself and Chandler; and the latter, who had received from Lomar £200 as his share of the business, went to Queensland for the benefit of his health. Lomar still carried on the business under the same name as it was carried on during the partnership with Chandler, and the attorney for Holledge, failing to get satisfaction for the judgment obtained by the latter, put in an execution. Counsel for the execution creditor did not call evidence, but drew attention to the fact that the deed of assignment, which had never been registered, was not executed until after Holledge had made his claim. He also pointed out that the evidence of claimant upon some points was not in harmony with the statements in the deed. His Honor was of opinion that the claimant had not made out his case, and hence gave judgment for the execution creditor, for whom Mr. Butler, instructed by Mr. Yeomans, appeared; Mr. Iceton for claimant.

INSOLVENCY COURT.

FRIDAY.

BEFORE the CHIEF COMMISSIONER.

In the estate of James Singer, an adjourned certificate meeting. His Honor said:—"I have looked through the proceedings in this insolvency, and considered the examinations taken before me on the 6th and 7th July last, at the instance of creditors, subsequent to the third meeting. It appears to me that the insolvent carried on his trade of publican, both at Braidwood and at Newtown, with great carelessness and imprudence, and that such conduct has clearly been the result of his own habits of drinking to excess. Some matters at his examination taken at Braidwood seem to admit of little satisfactory explanation: the excuse being that he was in such a state through excessive drinking as not to know what he was saying. I consider that as the loss to creditors has been the result of insolvent's continued and excessive drinking, I must suspend his certificate for eight months from the date of his application on the 21st ultimo."

In the estate of Robert Pheena, a third meeting. Mr. Johnson, on behalf of insolvent, made an offer to purchase the assets at the amount of the debts proved and allowed, which offer the meeting agreed to accept.

Mr. Dillon brought forward for review the Registrar's rejection of a claim presented by him in Thomas Feeny's estate, on the 18th current; and, after hearing Mr. Dillon thereon, his Honor confirmed the Registrar's decision, with liberty, however, to come forward again after delivery of his bill, as ordered by Mr. Justice Wise, on the 7th July.

Certificates were granted to James Teare, and Elizabeth Gerard.

In the estate of Frederick Mader, a third meeting. Four debts were proved. Insolvent was allowed his household furniture, and the official assignee was directed to sell the book debts.

On the motion of Mr. Salomons, the rule nisi in Board v. Gentery was made absolute.

BEFORE the REGISTRAR.

In the estate of Henry Still, a single meeting. Two debts were proved and insolvent amended his schedule.

In the estate of Patrick Thornton, a single meeting. Neither the insolvent nor any creditor appeared.

In the estate of George Chapman, a second meeting. Two debts were proved, and, insolvent not being in attendance, the meeting adjourned until the 27th.

In the estate of Allan M'Intyre, a single meeting. Two debts were proved, and insolvent was examined.

In the estate of Lewis Chandler, a single meeting. Neither the insolvent nor any creditor attended.

SURRENDERS.

Edward Johnson, of Macquarie-street, Sydney, upholsterer. Liabilities, £435 3s. Assets, £6. Mr. Mackenzie, official assignee.

David Gow, of Richmond, carrier. Liabilities, £33 1s. 9d. Assets, £16. Mr. Sempill, official assignee.

CENTRAL POLICE COURT.

FRIDAY.

BEFORE their Worships the Police Magistrate, Messrs. G. Hill, Oatley, Jelly, and Day.

Of eleven prisoners brought before the Court, three were remanded, and other three were discharged.

Maria Davis, apprehended on suspicion of having stolen a dress, which was found in her possession, and being unable to satisfy their Worships in regard thereto, was sentenced to be imprisoned three months.

Two boys were convicted of stealing fruit from gardens, and were each ordered to pay a penalty of 10s. Their Worships expressed their hope that the urchins would receive a severe personal castigation from their fathers at home.

Julia Hillery was sentenced to pay 10s., or to be imprisoned forty-eight hours, for having made use of indecent language in a public place.

On the summons paper were eighteen cases, of which one was dismissed, and another was postponed; in two, warrants were issued for the defendants apprehension; and five were not prosecuted. Three persons were fined 5s. each, for offences against the Police Act, and six others were fined in sums varying from 2s. 6d. to 20s. for breaches of the Glebe municipality by-laws.

THE ROSTER.—Mr. Wrench has been summoned for Bench duty on Saturday.

WATER POLICE COURT.

FRIDAY.

BEFORE Mr. G. R. Elliott, Mr. T. Dangar, Mr. G. Thorne, Mr. M. Metcalfe, and the Water Police Magistrate.

Rachael Robertson, charged with using threatening language to Margaret Butler, was ordered to enter into sureties to keep the peace for six months; in default, to be imprisoned seven days.

Wilhelm Deffendahl was charged with using threatening language towards James Barlow, and was ordered to find sureties to keep the peace for six months, in default to be imprisoned fourteen days.

Wilhelm Deffendahl and William Walker appeared to answer the information of W. L. Bligh, superintendent of works, Australian Gas-light Company, which charged them with unlawfully rescuing three goats which had been lawfully seized for the purpose of being impounded. Defendants pleaded guilty, and were fined 2s. 6d. each, and ordered to pay costs.

Michael Flynn, for riotous conduct in Pitt-street, having abused senior-constable M'Hale whilst that officer was engaged in keeping order on Thursday at the fire in King-street, was fined 10s.

THE POPE AND THE FREEMASONS.

(*From the European Times, October* 11.)

WE have now the text of the allocution pronounced by the Pope in secret consistory, on the 25th September last, concerning the freemasons. The Pope begins by asserting that without doubt the masonic society must be included among the institutions designed to attack the church; and calls to mind that his predecessors—particularly Clement XII. and Benedict XIV.—proscribed and reproved that sect, the entrance into which they declared should entail excommunication, which the Pope alone could remove. If European sovereigns had acted with less weakness, they would not have had to deplore many seditious movements and incendiary wars in Europe, and many evils to the church. But "the fury of the church not being appeased," Pius VII. anathemised the sect of Carbonari, and Leo XII. condemned every secret sect conspiring against the church and the civil power:—"Nevertheless," the allocution proceeds, "these efforts of the Holy See have not had the expected success. The Masonic sect of which we have spoken has neither been conquered nor overthrown; on the contrary, it has been so developed that, in these difficult days, it raises everywhere with impunity a most audacious front. We have, therefore, thought it our duty to recur to this matter, lest by ignorance of the culpable actions which go on clandestinely, the opinion might spring up that the nature of the society was inoffensive; that the institution has no other end than to succour men and aid them in adversity, and that from this society the Church of God has nothing to fear. Who does not know, however, how far that is from the truth? Who desires for the church that association of men, belonging to every religion and faith? To what good those clandestine meetings and that oath so rigorously exacted from the initiated, engaging them never to reveal what there may have been done? To what good that unheard of atrocity of pains and chastisements to which the initiated devote themselves in case they should violate their oath? Undoubtedly a society must be criminal which thus shuns the light. 'He who doeth evil,' says the apostle, 'hateth the light.'"

The Pope then contrasts the society with the charitable associations under the auspices of the church, which are open to the light; and asks why the latter are discouraged in some places, while this dark masonic society, so inimical to the church and to God, so dangerous even for security of kingdoms is encouraged or at least tolerated. He then laments the weakness shown in dealing with the sect, and says they are in error who think the apostolic anathemas not in force in countries where the sect is tolerated. He then renews the condemnation of the false doctrine, and of the masonic society and societies of the like nature. He excites the faithful who are members to abandon them; those who are not members to be on their guard. His Holiness concludes:

May God, who is rich in mercy, listening to our prayers, grant that with the assistance of His grace, the insensate may return to reason, and that men who have gone astray may return to the path of justice. God grant that after the oppression of depraved men, who by the aid of the above-*mentioned societies* deliver themselves to impious and criminal acts, the church and human society may repose a little from evils so numerous and inveterate. That our wishes may be granted, we also pray our advocate with the most merciful God, the Blessed Virgin, His immaculate mother from His birth, to whom it has been given to overthrow the enemies of the church and the monsters of error. We implore equally the protection of the blessed apostles, Peter and Paul, by whose glorious blood this noble town has been consecrated. We are confident that with this aid and assistance we shall obtain more easily what we demand of divine goodness.

The *Siècle* has the following:—We do not exactly know how many freemasons may be in France, but we are not far from the truth, perhaps, in setting them down at one million. Assuming that there are in Belgium, Germany, Italy, Spain, and Portugal as many more, we have two millions of persons excommunicated, for if the text of the Pontifical allocution has been correctly transmitted, it is the major excommunication that has been fulminated against them. With the exception of the Albigenses and other heretics, who were first excommunicated in mass and next exterminated in mass, the thunders of the Church were rarely hurled against more than four or five persons in a century; but at the present time excommunications *in globo* seem to have recommenced. A million of our fellow-citizens are struck with the most terrible engine which the representative of God upon earth can dispose of. It is true they perform their ordinary business just the same although interdicted from fire and water. The worst that can happen to them is that they cannot be sponsors if they should be asked to do so, but this is an occasion which does not often present itself, and they may find consolation in the circumstance that it will save them the cost of comfits. What interest can the Church of Rome have in thus exposing the impotence of its spiritual chastisements, and the complete indifference with which modern society hears the rumbling of the Church's thunder? What man will give up the title of freemason, or would hesitate to become a member of a lodge, through fear of excommunication? The era of those Papal thunder-peals has passed, and the Papacy should renounce those miserable parodies of a past, which had its grandeur.

There are indications that a tide of emigration to the South is about setting in from Europe. A wealthy capitalist in Glasgow, Scotland, has lately written to a gentleman of Virginia, placing at his disposal £10,000 for investment in lands in that State; and letters are daily received from abroad asking information in regard to inducements to immigrants offered by the different sections of our Southern country.

A Louisiana paper declares that the town of Natchitoches has fleas that can jump higher, quicker, bite harder, out-dodge and run faster than any other fleas. They are larger, fatter, slicker, harder to rope than any other fleas. It takes two freedmen and a white boy to free one of them, and suggests, as a last resort, to have them hung or shot with a Sharp's rifle.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—December 22.

Rangatira (s.), 600 tons, Captain Harley, from Gladstone and Port Denison 16th instant. Passengers—Rev. Mr. Griffith, Mrs. Griffith and 2 children, Miss Griffith, Mr. and Mrs. Bode, Mr. and Mrs. M'Leod, child and servant, Mrs. Wilson, Miss Blackman, Messrs. Peterson, Preston, Henning, E. B. Denning, Collins, Radcliffe, E. Read, and 16 in the steerage. A. S. N. Co., agents.

Derwent, brig, 221 tons, Captain Champion, from Adelaide 2nd instant. Captain, agent.

Kate, barque, 300 tons, Captain Carter, from Auckland 7th instant. Passengers—Dr. and Mrs. Cobb, Major F. Johnson, Captain E. Dalrymple, and 20 in the steerage. Laidley, Ireland, and Co., agents.

December 20.

Souchays (s.), 450 tons, Captain Simpson, from Melbourne 20th instant. Passengers—Dr. Kelly, and Mr. W. H. Jarrett.

DEPARTURES.—December 22.

Rifleman, for London.
Cathay, for Port Cooper.
A. H. Badger, for Melbourne.
Ellora (s.), for Galle via Melbourne.
Lady Bowen (s.), for Brisbane.
City of Melbourne (s.), for Melbourne.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—December 23.

Liberator, for London; Atlantic, for Hokitika; Margaret Mitchell, for Hongkong; Amiral Charnier, for New Caledonia; Castlemaine, for Galle; Merrie Monarch, for Callao; Sarah, for Greymouth; City of Melbourne, for Moreton Bay; William, for Hokitika; Yarra Yarra (s.), for Brisbane.

CLEARANCES.—December 22.

City of Melbourne (s.), 1000 tons, Captain Walker, for Melbourne. Passengers—Mrs. R. Morrison, Mrs. Allord, Miss J. Brown, Miss A. Brown, Miss Curtiss, Mrs. Griffiths and 2 children, Miss Griffiths, Miss Simpson, Mrs. Willmott, Mrs. J. A. Graham, Hon. J. B. Plunkett, Judge Cheeke, Messrs. G. Cheeke, H. J. Greville, Harker, A. Key, J. Banks, T. R. Cooper, Godfrey, Griffiths, Dowthorne, R. Driver, W. Dawes, S. C. Brown, D. Melhado, E. Emanuel, Hellyer, R. Rowe, W. Moffit, Captain Watson, E. Hay, A. C. Fudge, T. E. Weedon, Emanuel, J. Tait, W. R. Hogan, W. Forrest, jun., H. Moses, Hill, S. Samuel, A. C. Maxwell, E. Maxwell, A. Wright, W. E. Twynam, W. Peterson, S. White, Harrison, A. Sullivan, W. Walker, R. Morrison, Jones, G. S. Long, Colwell, Capel, W. Ross, B. Thomson, Dr. Belisario, and 35 in the steerage.

Ellora, R.M.S.S., 1079 tons, Captain Skottowe, for Point de Galle via Melbourne. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. Ritchie and child, Major Salmarsh, Captain Clarke, Mons. Bertin, Mr. and Mrs. Stovey, Lieutenant Trossed, Captain Borwick, Master Clifton, Miss Hett, Mr. and Mrs. M'Lean, Mr. and Mrs. Landale, Captain Purcell, Mrs. Purcell, 2 children and servant, Messrs. F. Mitchell, F. Southeren, C. Stuart, J. Nicholson, J. Veitch, Henderson, Hennnant, Jamieson, W. Belt, Hulbert Hobson, J. Talpiore, H. S. Horden, and J. Bickie.

Sarah, schooner, 26 tons, Captain Akers, for Greymouth.

William, schooner, 62 tons, Captain Cooney, for Hokitika. Passengers—Messrs. Grant, Reinarnschneider, R. Davis, and C. Murphy.

City of Melbourne, barque, 167 tons, Captain Robinson, for Moreton Bay.

Lady Bowen (s.), 700 tons, Captain Lake, for Brisbane. Passengers—Mrs. Hobbs, Mrs. F. G. Connolly, child, and servant, Messrs. W. Priestley, Hancock, E. Hammersley, F. G. Connolly, Cheeseman, J. Cheeseman, C. H. Croaker, Master Hobbs, Mr. A. B. Ewan, and 14 in the steerage.

COASTERS INWARDS.—December 22.

Cyclone, from Richmond River, with 50,000 feet timber, 4000 staves; Osprey, from Grafton, with 40,000 feet timber; Clara, Brilliant, Oberon, Notion, Moselle, Heather Bell, from Newcastle, with 863 tons coal; Woniora (s.), from Bulli, with 250 tons coal; Edith, from Port Stephens, with 320 bags maize, 70 hides, 12 coops fowls, 2000 feet timber, 40 bags oysters, 14 pigs, 4 cases eggs; Falcon, from Newcastle, with 1000 bushels maize, 250 bags barley, 17 bales hay; Coonanbara (s.), from Morpeth, with 321 bales wool, 120 bales hay, 40 bags maize, 30 bags bones, 50 bags onions, 20 bags potatoes, 40 hides, 100 lambs, 50 sheep, 20 coops fowls, 12 cases eggs, 20 cheeses, 15 pigs, 10 baskets prawns, 3 calves, and sundries; Paterson (s.), from Morpeth, with 41 bales wool, 17 bags maize, 45 bags onions, 127 bags potatoes, 17 bags wheat, 4 coops poultry—from Clarence Town: 500 bags maize, 26 bales hay, 4 casks tallow, 6 coops poultry, 4 horses, 27 pigs, 68 sheep, 30 lambs, 2 bullocks, and sundries.

COASTERS OUTWARDS.—December 22.

Oberon, for Manning River; General Wool, Collingwood, James Paxton, Comet, Heather Bell, for Newcastle; Edith, Messenger, for Port Stephens.

IMPORTS.—December 22.

Rangatira (s.), from Gladstone, and Port Denison: 1 bale wool, Irwin and Turner; 24 bales wool, 1 bale sheepskins, Petersen, Boesen, and Co.; 2 bales sheepskins, F. M'Nab and Co.; 87 bales wool, E. B. Cornish; 31 bales wool, 6 casks tallow, Oriental Bank; 16 bales wool, A. M'Dougall; 10 bales wool, Prince, Ogg, and Co.; 30 bales wool, Parbury Brothers; 37 bales wool, Australian Joint Stock Bank; 8 bales wool, Frazer and Co.; 20 bales wool, Caird, Paterson, and Co.; 56 bales wool, W. W. Billyard; 31 hides, 2 casks tallow, T. S. Mort; 188 oz. 7 dwts. 9 grs. gold, A. Joint Stock Bank; 3 bales wool, Order.

Derwent, from Adelaide: 30 tons flour, 124 bags wheat, N. Caston.

Kate, from Auckland: 266 bags sugar, 100 bags flour, 92 casks oil, Laidley, Ireland, and Co.; 10 packages, M. Moss; 42 casks oil, J. G. Cohen; 6 packages, P. N. Russell and Co.; 30 packages, Order.

EXPORTS.—December 22.

Florence Irving (s.), for Moreton Bay: 100 cases geneva, Gilchrist, Watt, and Co.; 1138 mats 235 bags sugar, Colonial Sugar Company; 10 packages tea, 12 packages, Franck, Brothers, and Co.; 53 packages tea, S. A. Joseph; 1 case silks, E. and W. Paul; 46 packages, J. Powell; 1 case, Gilfillan and Co.; 2 cases slops, 80 bags maize, 5 casks, Molison and Black; 5 packages leather, E. Vickery; 18 bags onions, J. Duffin; 10 packages, Mackinlay, Brothers; 11 packages boots, A. Hunter and Co.; 15 barrels currants, Ferguson, Webb, and Co.; 22 packages, J. T. Armitage and Co.; 7 cases, Elliott, Brothers; 1 case, Palser and Cowlishaw; 3 cases, Prince, Ogg, and Co.; 4 packages, Lane and Co.; 41 packages, J. Keep; 4 packages, Thompson and Giles; 20 hogsheads, 1 keg beer, R. and F. Tooth and Co.; 2 cases, Hardman, Brothers; 19 cases, Biddell, Brothers; 2 kegs butter, J. Bardsley; 3 packages, Gordon and Gotch; 3 cases, J. Kohn and Co.; 50 bags flour, Barker and Co.; 41 bundles 70 bars iron, J. B. Holdsworth; 54 bags maize, M'Kinlay, Brothers; 3 kegs butter, W. H. Holmes; 3 packages boots, Bennett; 2 cases glass, T. Edens; 13 kegs butter, R. J. Hardy; 1 case, Alderson and Sons; 25 bales hay, Nipper and Bee; 2 cases, P. Falk and Co.; 3 packages, A. S. N. Co.; 1 hogsheads beer, J. Marshall; 140 bags flour, 36 cases fruit, H. Woodward; 15 bags flour, Tidswell, Wilson, and Co.; 5 packages, J. Sands; 48 bags maize, 40 cases fruit, 1 package, P. James; 1 cask brandy, Giffard and Bros; 60 bags flour, N. Caston; 35 cases fruit, 5 bags onions, 2 mats almonds, H. Griffiths.

Balclutha (s.), for Rockhampton: 7 quarter-casks brandy, 2 packages tea, 43 packages, S. A. Joseph; 1 package tobacco, 200 bags sugar, 6 cases coffee, 110 bags flour, 83 packages, J. Frazer and Co.; 10 cases chicory, 27 bags sugar, 40 boxes soap, 49 packages, J. Barlow; 28 bags sugar, 6 packages tea, 59 packages, Macdonald, Smith, and Co.; 10 hogsheads beer, 3 casks, Church, Brothers; 3 packages tea, 18 bags sugar, 54 packages, J. Caldwell; 3 kegs apples, Franck, Brothers, and Co.; 44 bags iron, 48 packages ironmongery, 4 cases, F. Lassetter; 1 package earthenware, J. Isaacs; 1 case, J. Sands; 1 trunk boots, E. Vickery; 3 bags onions, 8 bags maize, 5 bags flour, 25 bags potatoes, 2 bags oats, 2 bags corn flour, Barker and Co.; 4 packages, C. Newton, Brother, and Co.; 1 bale leather, Alderson and Sons; 40 bags flour, T. C. Brillat; 1 case, S. Jay; 1 case, Petersen, Boesen, and Co; 80 bags flour, Love and Son; 20 bags potatoes, S. Priestly; 7 packages, Lawson and Cadell; 1 case, R. T. Pigeald; 31 cases fruit, 28 bags potatoes, 8 bags onions, J. Goad; 1 case boots, E. Kennedy; 1 case, J. Bennett; 10 bags potatoes, 40 bags onions, H. Goddard; 1 package, Keep and Parsons; 2 cases, S. Thompson and Co.; 3 cases, W. Drynan and Co.; 4 packages, Barlow; 1 case ice, Wilkinson, Brothers, and Co.; 2 cases boots, Saddington and Sons; 16 packages, G. Barr; 10 bags potatoes, C. B. Bond; 30 bags flour, N. Caston; 14 bags onions, 2 cases fruit, Smith; 1 case drapery, Jackson and Hurley; 1 package, J. and E. Row; 1 case, A. M'Arthur and Co.; 40 bags potatoes, 22 cases fruit, 9 packages, R. Vesey; 1 case, Crawley.

Ellora, for Galle: 15,000 sovereigns, Commercial Bank; 10,000 sovereigns, Oriental Bank; 10,000 sovereigns, Bank of New South Wales; 2000 sovereigns, J. Milson, jun.; 1552 sovereigns, Sum Kum Tye; 10,500 sovereigns, Sum Kum On; 5 boxes gold, Australian Joint Stock Bank; 1 box, R. Towns and Co.

Sarah, for Greymouth: 500 bags flour, G. A. Lloyd and Co.

William, for Hokitika: 20 tons coal, 30 head cattle, 20 tierces beef, 30 casks biscuit, 150 sheep, 1 stove.

City of Melbourne (s.), for Moreton Bay: 2 casks paint, 6 drums oil and paint, 10 packages hardware, 780 bundles shooks, 150 packages iron, 7 barrels saltpetre; 22 packages, J. Alger; 122 packages, [illegible], J. Cuthbert.

[illegible] MAILS.

Mails will close at the General Post Office as follows:—

For Callao.—By the Merrie Monarch, this day, at noon, if not otherwise.

For Hokitika.—By the Nellie Abbott, this day, at noon, if not otherwise.

For Hongkong.—By the Margaret Mitchell, this day, at noon, if not otherwise.

For Brisbane.—By the Yarra Yarra (s.), this day, at 5 p.m.

For Eden and Merimbula [illegible].—By the City of Hobart (s.), on Wednesday, at 3.30 p.m.

For Gladstone and Port Denison.—By the Rangatira (s.), on [illegible], at 5.30 p.m.

For Grafton.—By the [illegible] (s.), on Wednesday, at 7.30 p.m.

Custom House; Entered Outwards, December 22.—Yarra Yarra (s.), 350 tons, Captain Moppett, for Moreton Bay; Rangatira (s.), 350 tons, Captain Harley, for Gladstone and Port Denison.

The P. and O. Company's R. M. S. Ellora cleared the heads yesterday, at 2.30 p.m., with a moderate N.E. wind.

The Rangatira (s.) left Port Denison on the 16th instant, at [illegible], had light easterly airs with hot weather to Gladstone, where she arrived at 7 p.m. on the 17th; left again on the 18th, at [illegible], and entered Sydney Heads at [illegible] on the 22nd; from Gladstone to Seal Rocks had light E. and N.E. winds, inclining to fresh northerly breezes; from thence had a strong gale [illegible]. [illegible] Lady Elliott's Island, loading guano.

The Kate left Auckland on the 7th instant, and reports light easterly winds and calms until the 18th, since then strong gales from S. to W. The Anne Melhado [illegible] the West Coast, with [illegible], via Auckland, left in company.

Accident to the A. S. N. Co.'s S. Boomerang.—A telegram was received yesterday by the Company's manager, Mr. Clark, to the effect that the above-named steamer had struck a rock in the [illegible] River, and was making water.

The Star of Brunswick has been released from quarantine, and was brought up yesterday from Spring Cove by the Breadalbane (s.).

H.M.S. Falcon was docked yesterday morning, and we believe has sustained no damage.

New Steamer.—A very nice paddle boat built at the Macleay River, and intended to trade between that place and Sydney, arrived yesterday. She is named the Fire King. She was built by Mr. J. Steward, for Mr. Marshall. Her length on deck is 170 feet, with 21 feet beam and 9 feet depth of hold, and only draws 3 feet. Her engines, which arrived from England in the Colonist, are of 80-horse power, and it is anticipated she will prove very fast. She is built of well seasoned hardwood, and has two [illegible] of copper bolts in her frame, and altogether is an excellent specimen of colonial workmanship. Mr. Marshall has had her built to replace the steamer New Moon lost some twelve months ago at Port Stephens.

The s.s. Souchays left Melbourne on the 20th instant, at 6 p.m., [illegible] E. winds to 40 miles this side of Wilson's Promontory; [illegible] to Ram Head fresh N.W. breezes; from Ram Head to Sydney moderate easterly and N.E. winds. The Souchays is en route for Brisbane, and has called at this port for the purpose of having her bottom cleaned and painted previous to taking her station in the proposed mail service between Brisbane and Singapore via Torres Straits. [illegible].

NEWCASTLE.

ARRIVAL.

December 21.—Saint Magnus, barque, 280 tons, Walsh, from Adelaide.

COASTERS INWARDS.

December 22.—Fairy and Lismore, from Sydney.

AUCKLAND.

ARRIVAL.

December 6.—Salamander, from Gladstone.

December 8.—Matilda [illegible], from Valparaiso. Cargo 5497 bags flour.

ONEHUNGA.

ARRIVAL.

December 8.—Canton, from Newcastle.

Aquatics.—The Championship of Australia.—It is now so many years since a contest for the championship has taken place, that the patrons of aquatic sports will be pleased to learn that a competitor has entered the field against Richard Green. William Hickey is the new aspirant, and through the exertions of Messrs. M'Grath and Punch, on behalf of R. Green, a match has been effected. The career of R. Green for many years past is patent to all boating men, and his superiority over any other man in New South Wales in outriggers fully established. Hickey has only just commenced, his recent victory over H. White being his maiden attempt in that class of boats. The match is for £100 a-side and the championship, and is to take place on the 20th January. Hickey will train under P. Murray, and Green will be brought out by Messrs. Punch and M'Grath. Much speculation is already evinced on the result, and a splendid race is likely to ensue.

We have been requested to state that the agent for the brig Jelly, from San Francisco, is Mr. J. E. Manning, and not G. A. Lloyd and Co., as reported in yesterday's publication.

The ship Cantero, Captain Walters, arrived at the Manukau Heads from Newcastle yesterday morning, having left that port on the 21st ultimo. On coming over the bar the ship struck a little south of the Orpheus Shoal, and drove over the shoal into what is called Ormsby's Swatch, during which time she lost her rudder, and as the tide was setting into the harbour Captain Wing had the anchor hove up, and backed and filled the vessel in with the tide, until the vessel got inside of Paratutai. The vessel at this time was making much water, gaining on both pumps, which were at work to such an extent that Captain Wing was compelled to run her ashore in a sandy bay, a little south of Make Point, abreast of Popoiga. The vessel at this time had nine feet six inches of water in her hold. The Cantero, we believe, can be got off from where she at present lies, and after undergoing necessary repairs will come up to Onehunga to discharge her cargo. Captain Walters reports having experienced contrary winds on the voyage from Newcastle. A gang of carpenters were to be dispatched last evening for the purpose of repairing the vessel. We understand that both vessel and cargo are insured.—*New Zealand Herald*, October 7.

We regret to state that the good ship Claramont, Captain Macintosh, which visited our port not long since, has been given up for lost. In confirmation of the above, we quote from the owner's letter, Mr. Bailey of London, dated September 25th, and addressed to his agent, Mr. D. Nathan. The letter states:—"I have to inform you that the ship Claramont, Captain John Macintosh, which arrived in your port in April, 1863, left there for Hongkong, and, after making an intermediate trip to Sydney, returned to Shanghai, where she loaded for London, sailing on the 18th of September, 1864. She called at Ascension for supplies in December following, and sailed a few days afterwards, since which time we, therefore, have every reason to suppose that Captain Macintosh, his officers and crew, have met with an untimely end. We request that you will at once transmit a full list of the crew, officers, &c., as also a list of accounts due, which is required by the Board of Trade, and also for the settlement with relatives of deceased." Captain Macintosh was well known in this city, and great commiseration is felt by those who knew him for his untimely fate.—*New Zealand Herald*, October 7.

CUSTOMS IMPORT ENTRIES.—December 20.

29 cases wine, 22 casks beer, 1 cask rum, Royal Hotel Company
2 cases saddlery, J. Brush
250 bags flour, Barker and Co.
6 packages mowing-machines, Faux and Beard
33 packages raisins, 20 cases hams, 20 cases cheese, Fairfax and Co.
4 casks spirits, M'Donald, Smith, and Co.
1 case drapery, W. H. Paling
2 packages drapery, Prince, Ogg, and Co.
22 packages provisions, 70 casks beer, H. S. Bird
6642 sacks wheat, 341 tons flour, H. H. Beauchamp
8 cases floorcloth, James Powell
2 cases stationery, E. Mason
7 cases musical instruments, L. Moss
20 cases soap, Dangar, Gilchrist, and Co.
24 tons 18 cwt. iron, Friend and Co.
27 cases seidlitz powders, Allan, Street, and Norton
6 cases hats, 3 cases hosiery, 4 packages drapery, R. Orey
109 casks 50 hogsheads beer, Learmonth, Dickinson, and Co.
1 case hardware, F. Lassetter
10 hogsheads rum, B. Palmer
30 cases boots and shoes, J. Springthorpe
1 case sheepshears, Fanning, Griffiths, and Co.
5 cases boots and shoes, Callaghan and Son
5 packages stationery, R. Blair
100 hogsheads rum, 1000 cases candles, Parbury, Brothers
50 hogsheads rum, G. A. Lloyd and Co.
2 cases saddlery, Hinton, Brothers
145 tons sugar, A. Tange and Co.
18 bales bagging, Saunders and Co.
15 packages hardware, R. Reilly
100 cases candles, 4 bales canvas, 27 packages cordage, 137 cases gunpowder, Scott, Henderson, and Co.
8 cases stationery, 10 cases fancy goods, Myers and Solomon
10 bales corks, W. G. Henfrey
2 cases hats, T. Palser
1 case saddlery, W. H. Simpson
17 cases printing materials, W. R. Gullick
6 crates chairs, D. Mackenzie
12 cases perfumed spirits, J. Kohn and Co.
34 cases vestas, Hoffnung and Co.
2 cases fancy goods, Abrahams and Co.
2 cases perfumed spirits, 2 cases alcohol, Elliott, Brothers
1401 pieces timber, F. Small
500 pieces timber, Morehead and Young
40 packages furniture, 8 cases billiard tables, 13 packages glassware, J. Powell
9 casks raisins, Harpur and Co.
243 packages, J. Levick and Co.
16 packages stationery, F. Macnab and Co.
5 cases saddlery, H. C. Brookes
9 cases glassware, J. Gould
1 case brandy, Willis, Merry, and Co.
6 casks 1 case drugs, 2 jars oil, D. Cohen
89 packages sundries, 50 hogsheads rum, S. A. Joseph
4 cases drill, Lauder and Co.
1 bale cloth, 1 package tinplates, 1 bundle, John Alger
1 case books, Fligh and Harbottle.

December 21.

400 bags flour, Beilby and Scott
4 packages medicines, Gordon and Gotch
8 cases silks, D. Jones and Co.
3 cases jewellery, Flavelle, Brothers
1 case silks, Young, Lark, and Bennett
3 cases jewellery, Berens, Levi, and Co.
1 case jewellery, 1 case plate, Hardy, Brothers
2 cases silks, 2 cases millinery, D. Holborrow
1 case gloves, 9 cases silks, A. M'Arthur and Co.
1 case gloves, 9 packages drapery, Keep and Parsons
25 hogsheads brandy, 50 hogsheads rum, W. Long
1 case gloves, 1 case silks, Hobson and Whiting
1 case millinery, 1 case silks, Farmer, Painter, and Pope
600 kegs white lead, J. G. Cohen
2 cases watch materials, Veyret and Delarue
1 case haberdashery, A. Reading
26 hogsheads brandy, Bligh, Harbottle, and Co.
1 case gloves, 15 cases drapery, C. Newton, Brother, and Co.
9 cases drapery, 1 case gloves, S. Thompson and Co.
2 cases jewellery, P. Falk and Co.
1 case hosiery, C. W. Barry
4 cases silks, Perry, Brothers
100 casks barley, 10 boxes candles, 20 cases cheese, A. Fairfax and Co.
159 chests tea, H. M'Crea
8 cases silks and gloves, F. B. Palmer and Co.
2 cases cigars, 1 case tobacco, J. E. Ives
28 cases sardines, J. J. Curran
2 cases lace, Alcock, Brothers
1 case pipes, E. T. Penfold
4 cases perfumery, Hoffnung and Co.

WINDS AND WEATHER.

December 22.—9 a.m.

Grafton ...	Calm. Cloudy.
Tenterfield ...	S.W. Fine.
Glen Innes ...	S.W. Cloudy.
Armidale ...	W. Sultry.
Tamworth ...	N.W. Cloudy and dull.
Murrurundi ...	Calm. Cloudy.
Singleton ...	W. Cloudy.
Maitland ...	Calm. Fine.
Newcastle ...	N.E. Dull, cloudy, sultry. B. 29·710. T. 79·1.
Sydney ...	W. Fine. Bar. 29·502. Ther. 77·2.
South Head ...	W. Fine.
Penrith ...	W. Stormy.
Bathurst ...	Calm. Fine. Bar. 27·503. Ther. 71·0.
Mudgee ...	W. Very thick, like rain.
Dubbo ...	Calm. Fine.
Young ...	Calm. Fine.
Forbes ...	S.W. Fine.
Goulburn ...	N.W. Fine, squally. Bar. 27·516. Ther. 69·6.
Yass ...	N. Fine.
Gundagai ...	Calm. Fine.
Tumut ...	Calm. Fine
Kiandra ...	S. Stormy.
Albury ...	S.W. Fine, cool. Bar. 29·123. Ther. 68·0.
Wagga Wagga	Calm. Fine.
Deniliquin ...	S.E. Fine, clear. Bar. 29·351. Ther. 70·
Hay ...	W., light. Fine.

3 p.m.

Grafton ...	E. Raining.
Tenterfield ...	N.W. Stormy.
Armidale ...	N.W. Raining heavily.
Tamworth ...	N.W. Raining.
Murrurundi ...	N.W. Cloudy.
Maitland ...	S.W. Close, dull.
Newcastle ...	N.E. Dull, cloudy.
Sydney ...	N.E. Cloudy.
South Head ...	N.E. Threatening.
Penrith ...	W., strong. Very hot.
Bathurst ...	S. Fine
Mudgee ...	Calm. Cloudy.
Dubbo ...	N., strong. Storm clouds rising.
Young ...	Calm. Fine.
Forbes ...	Calm. Very hot.
Goulburn ...	W.N.W., strong Very hot, cloudy.
Wagga Wagga	N.E. Fine, clear.
Deniliquin ...	S., light. Fine.
Hay ...	Calm. Fine.

SYDNEY HEADS.

	TIME.	WINDS.	REMARKS.
Dec. 21.	8.30 a.m.	N.W.	Light, and cloudy.
	Noon.	N.E.	Moderate ditto, and hazy.
	5 p.m.	N.E.	Fresh ditto, and very hazy.

ABSTRACT OF SALES BY AUCTION THIS DAY.

MR. MARTYN.—At his Bazaar, at 11 o'clock, Horses, Vehicles, and Harness; at 12 o'clock, the Tolls and Booths for New Year's Day Races, Randwick.

MR. WOOLLER.—At his Mart, at 11 o'clock, Horses, Vehicles, and Harness.

MESSRS. BURT AND CO.—At their Mart, at 10 o'clock, Prize Oxen, and Fat Lambs.

MR. BRADLY.—On the Premises of Mr. T. Vogan, at 11 o'clock, Household Furniture and Effects.

MESSRS. A. MOORE AND CO.—At their Rooms, at 11 o'clock, Clearance Sale of Household Furniture and Sundries.

MR. COCKBURN.—At his Rooms, George-street, at 11 o'clock, Pianoforte, Harmoniums, Drapery, Groceries, Wines, Beer, and Household Furniture.

MESSRS. BRADLEY AND NEWTON.—At their Rooms, at half-past 10 o'clock, Household Furniture, &c.; at No. 42, [illegible], Woolloomooloo, at 2 o'clock, Household Furniture, &c.

MESSRS. LISTER AND BARNETT.—At No. 86, Market-street East, at half-past 10 o'clock, Household Furniture, Fixtures, &c.

MESSRS. FOTHERINGHAM AND MULLEN.—At their Rooms, at half-past 10 o'clock, the Salvage Stock of Toys from the late fire.

MR. RISHWORTH.—At the Tollbar, Waterloo, at half-past 2 o'clock, the Lease of the Mudbank and Cook's River Road Tollbar.

THE DISTRICT REGISTRAR.—At the Courthouse, Macquarie-street, at 12 o'clock, Allotments of Land in Sydney.

Furniture buyers, parties furnishing, and others, are invited to attend Messrs. Bradley and Newton's sale this day, at their Rooms, 238, George-street, commencing at 11 o'clock precisely. For particulars see advertisement.—Adv.

Messrs. Fotheringham and Mullen beg to call the attention of fancy warehousemen, dealers, and others, to their unreserved sale of the salvage stock of toys, &c., saved from the late fire, to take place this morning, at half-past 10 o'clock (punctual).

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY, SYDNEY.

Latitude 33° 51' 41" S. Longitude 10h. 4m. 46s.
Magnetic Variation (1864), 10° 1' 58" East. Height above the Mean Sea Level, 155 feet.

The Time Ball is dropped daily (Sundays excepted), at 1h. p.m. Sydney Mean Time, or 2h. [illegible] Greenwich Mean Time.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

Barometers corrected to 32° Fahr., and Mean Sea Level. Force of Wind, estimated in lbs. per square foot. Velocity of Wind, estimated in miles per hour. Rainfall and evaporation, measured in inches, per square foot. Temperature of Water, taken at Dawes Point.

Scales of { Humidity, 0 to 100. Cloudy sky, 0 to 10. Ozone, 0 to 10.

DECEMBER 21st, 1865. CIVIL RECKONING.

Hour.	Barometer	Temperature in shade.	Humidity.	Wind Direction.	Force	Velocity.	Cloudy sky.	Rain.	Ozone.
a.m. 9	29·519	81·1	42	N.E.	0·16	5	10	0	5
p.m. 3	·28	91·4	[illegible]	W.	12·25	39	10	0	
" 9	·45	76·8	[illegible]	W.S.W.	0·25	11	[illegible]	0	4
Mean ..	29·424	81·1	41·[illegible]		4·22	18	6·7		4·5

Evaporation, 24 hours, ... 0·419.

SELF-REGISTERING THERMOMETERS.

Shade	Maximum ... 102·1	Sun—maximum ...	128·6
	Minimum ... 61·0	Grass—minimum ...	54·0
	Mean ... 81·6	Sea water ...	
	Range ... 41·1		

COMPARISON OF STATIONS.

DECEMBER 22nd, 1865. CIVIL RECKONING.

Station.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind Direction.	Wind Force.	Cloudy sky.	Max. in shade.	Minimum in shade.	Rain.
Sydney ...	29·502	77·2	[illegible]	W.	0·36	9	102·1	63·2	0
Newcastle Town ...	29·630	79·6	[illegible]	Calm	0	8	104·0	70·8	
Lighthouse	29·823	77·9	47	N.E.	1·00	10	101·8	78·2	
Armidale	*								
Bathurst ...	29·579	70·6	55	Calm	0	[illegible]	97·0	50·0	
Goulburn ...	29·426	70·[illegible]	43	N.W.	9·00	2	97·1	52·1	
Albury ...	29·429	68·5	59	S.W.	1·00	3		42·6	
Deniliquin	*								

* Lines interrupted.

GEORGE R. SMALLEY, Government Astronomer.

DIARY.

1865, December		Sun. Rises.	Sun. Sets.	High Water at Fort Denison. Morn.	After.
23	SATURDAY	4 51	7 8	11 28	11 49

Moon.—New, 18d. 2h. 59m. p.m.; Full, 3d. 4h. [illegible] a.m.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Attention to the following rules will save the writers of correspondence a good deal of trouble. We cannot undertake to return rejected communications. No notice can be taken of anonymous communications. Whatever is intended for insertion in this journal must be authenticated by the name and address of the writer, not necessarily for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.

NOTICE.—Advertisements intended for publication in Monday's issue of this journal must be left at the office before 11 p.m. on SATURDAY. No advertisements will be received on Sunday.

JOHN FAIRFAX and SONS.

The Sydney Morning Herald.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1865.

The Legislative Council met precisely at 4 o'clock, in order that the bills passed last night might be transmitted to the Assembly.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL gave notice of his intention to move for leave to bring in two new bills. 1st. A bill to make further provision for the issue and service of process in the Supreme Court. 2nd. A bill to consolidate and amend the District Courts Act.

After an interval,

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL proposed an adjournment for an hour, to give the Assembly time to consider the bills, but it was thought better to separate for a time without a formal adjournment.

The Attorney-General having been compelled to leave the House,

The CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES represented him, but did not feel at liberty, seeing the opinion which had been expressed by the Attorney-General, to move the adjournment, although the House might have to wait two or three hours.

Mr. DEAS THOMSON moved that the House, at its rising, adjourn until the 10th of January, and this was seconded by Mr. JOHNSON, and carried—the greater number of the members thereupon left.

At five minutes past 7, the House adjourned.

In the Legislative Assembly, yesterday,

In reply to questions put to Ministers, the following information was elicited:—That the process of copying plans by photography was found unsatisfactory, and that it was not intended to introduce it;—that Mr. Scott, sub-commissioner at Hargraves, was authorised by the Minister for Lands to allow Chinese to mine in the police paddock, on payment for each claim; the amount paid was not known;—that Mr. Bell, the appraiser of runs in the Lachlan district, denied that there had been any irregularity in his appraisements, but that the payment of the amounts so appraised must be made by the 31st December, and would be insisted upon, subject to any action that might be taken hereafter;—that the Government had no intention to interfere with the pensions to Mr. Crook, Mr. Wilkinson, and Captain Mayne, though they considered that those pensions had been improvidently granted; except under the direction of a resolution of the House, the Government would not disturb the arrangement.

Mr. GARRETT presented a petition from one James Hurley complaining of the diversion of a road through Boree, and praying redress.

The petition presented by Mr. WHITE from inhabitants of Muswellbrook, relative to the tax on dogs, was ordered to be printed.

The Clarence and Richmond River Steam Navigation Company's Bill was read a second time, and passed through Committee.

Mr. COWPER moved that the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, the 2nd January.

Mr. WHITE moved, as an amendment, that the House adjourn until Tuesday, the 23rd January.

After some discussion,

Mr. White's amendment was negatived by 23 to 19, and the original motion was carried by 28 to 13.

The Consolidated Revenue Bill, the Cattle Disease Prevention Bill, and the Scab in Sheep Act Continuation and Amendment Bill were received by message from the Legislative Council—the two first-mentioned bills without amendment, the last-mentioned bill with one amendment.

Upon the motion of Mr. COWPER, the amendment of the Legislative Council in the Scab in Sheep Act Continuation and Amendment Bill was agreed to.

Mr. COWPER moved that so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would admit of the passing through all their stages, at one sitting, of the Additional Customs Duties Bill, and the Colonial Spirits Duty Bill.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. COWPER moved the second reading of the Additional Customs Duties Bill.

The bill was read a second time, and the House went into committee.

Clause 1 was agreed to.

In Clause 2, Mr. EAGAR moved as an amendment the exception of rum from the proposed duty of 10s. on imported spirits. The amendment was opposed by Mr. JOSEPH, Mr. MARTIN, and other hon. members, and was supported by Mr. BURNS, Mr. LUCAS, Mr. BUCHANAN, and other hon. members. The amendment was negatived by 23 to 8.

In clause 3, Mr. FORSTER moved as an amendment the exemption from the proposed duty of agricultural implements. The amendment was negatived by 24 to 11. Amendments, proposed by Mr. BUCHANAN, to exempt boots and shoes and mechanics' tools, were severally negatived by 26 to 7 and 28 to 4. An amendment proposing to exempt printed books was carried by 17 to 11. The clause, as so amended, and with the addition of some verbal amendments proposed by Mr. COWPER, was agreed to.

Clauses 4, 5, and 6 were agreed to.

In clause 7, Mr. FORSTER moved an amendment limiting the operation of the bill to two years, and Mr. PARKES moved a further amendment limiting the bill to one year. Both amendments were negatived after a long discussion, and the clause as originally framed was carried by 28 to 5.

Clause 8 was agreed to.

In clause 9, Mr. BUCHANAN moved an amendment limiting the operation of the bill to two years and one month. The amendment was negatived by 23 to 9.

The bill was reported with amendments.

At a subsequent period of the evening, after an unsuccessful attempt by Mr. PARKES to procure the recommittal of the bill, it was read a third time upon a division of 20 to 7, and passed through all its remaining stages.

The Colonial Spirits Duty Bill was read a second time, and passed through all its subsequent stages.

Mr. TIGHE moved the second reading of the Coal Fields Regulation Bill, which he stated to be a bill to give additional facilities to coal miners for the recovery of their wages.

Mr. MATHESON moved the adjournment of the debate, which motion was agreed to.

The House, at five minutes to 11, adjourned until Tuesday, the 2nd January next.

THE provision to sustain the public credit of the country is, we hope, by this time secured, but at how great a sacrifice? What will be the comparison of the people when they look back to the tariff of Mr. SAMUEL and consider the operation of *ad valorem* duties upon the ultimate interests of this country? It was necessary to meet the crisis and to risk the future rather than surrender our reputation. But let it be well understood what is the nature of the alternative and the consequences it inevitably entails. We have made a great sacrifice to perform a greater duty. We have submitted to a grand misfortune to escape a greater peril. It is necessary that we should retain a profound impression of the nature of the danger that we may not appeal against the price required for our deliverance. There has been no time for close deliberation, and so recently has the subject of *ad valorem* duties been discussed that no public man can have forgotten the objections against them. We have a great intercolonial trade largely sustaining the inhabitants of this city, and that is placed in jeopardy to raise a revenue which might have been obtained without the sacrifice of anything but an immediate payment. Already the mercantile classes have submitted to a package duty; already they have to bear the large burden imposed by the Stamp Act. There are houses—and they not the first—whose contributions to these portions of revenue amount to two thousand pounds a year. And now comes in a five per cent. *ad valorem* duty, which may go far to arrest our intercolonial trade. We hope, indeed, that our merchants may be able to ward off the effects of this new imposition and consent to bear its weight for a time if possible. The injury done, so long as it is merely local and personal, may be repaired in future years of prosperity. That for which all should labour is to obtain a more satisfactory adjustment of our financial affairs by strenuous reductions of expenditure and by a transfer of burdens to local taxation, and in the meantime to retain our trade by dealing in a large and liberal spirit with interests which it is of first consequence that we should foster and preserve.

When the people come to look at the operation of the two forms of taxation—that rejected and that enforced—they will learn how to appreciate the poor man's friend. He has escaped a small additional burden by the refusal of threepence per lb. on tea, and a trifle upon sugar; but he will find that the *ad valorem* duty involves mercantile charges in excess of itself. People who pay 5 per cent. upon goods must have not only their capital returned but the interest upon it, and also they must account for the deterioration of goods on which these duties will be a first charge. Thus in some instances the 5 per cent. will be rendered 7 and 8 per cent. This will fall upon all articles used by the poor as well as by the rich. It will fall more heavily upon coarse goods, because they will be far less likely to escape a correct valuation, while articles such as jewellery and watches will often totally escape. Silks, laces, and millinery will often pass under a false estimate, and what might be worth £200 may be valued at £100. Such has been the case everywhere, and no means within the reach of the Customs can possibly prevent it. Probably it will hardly be attempted. Those who reship goods on which they have paid duty—because in broken bulk the drawback cannot be restored—will probably feel their consciences quite easy in seeking some secret form of indemnity. But whatever the burden may be, it will fall upon the consumer; it will be found in the price of every article of dress—in the cost of boots and shoes—in all the articles not exempted from this charge, in consequence of being under special taxation. And it is at this price that the poor are to be spared a small additional tax, every farthing of which would have gone to the Treasury—which would have added nothing to the expense of the Customs—which would have created no disturbance of trade—which would have afforded no opportunity for fraud—which would have given no advantage to the dishonest trader over the conscientious one, and which might at any moment have been removed without affecting any private interests!

When we look, too, at the forms in which taxation has been increased, the absurdity will at once appear. We lose, for instance, a large revenue to endow a few workers up of American tobacco!—a bare-faced spoliation of the people.

The duty on rum is to be raised to the same price as the duty on brandy. But rum is manufactured from sugar. The quantity that can be made from a single bag, and in a still of easy and cheap construction, will at once add to all other causes of demoralisation that of increasing illicit distillation, and will promote that increase of drunkenness which always grows upon those who habitually violate the law.

It is amusing to see how ignorant of the import of *ad valorem* duties are many upon whom they will fall with considerable pressure. "Tell us, now," quoth a buxom dame to a political neighbour who was congratulating her on the defeat of Mr. SAMUEL and the escape from the duty on tea and sugar—"tell us what is the meaning of this 'advaluem' duty which they say is to go in its place?" The ingenious reply is most assuring. "It is a law to make rich people set a proper value upon the poor man's labour, and is called 'advaluem' in Frenchman's lingo."

This is, doubtless, the impression in some quarters. We may suppose that there is for the moment considerable exultation in the defeat of Mr. SAMUEL, and on the achievement of this feat of social reform; but the mistake will be found out in a few weeks or months not only by the mercantile classes whose interests comprehend the subsistence of thousands and tens of thousands, but by all who are employed in wielding a hammer or in driving a plough.

All that now can be done is to make the best of it, and for those who are capable of an intelligent view of public affairs to seek contact with the general mind, and prepare for that battle which must yet be fought—whether the Government shall be conducted for the purposes of personal corruption; whether those who spend the money shall pay it, and whether we shall continue from year to year exposed to these paroxysms of difficulty and danger to be avoided only by interference with the commerce of the country. It is the hope of those who have assisted in carrying this duty, and in forcing it upon those who detest it—that having succeeded so far, they will be able to shut up our ports, and establish a system of absolute protection. There is no limit to which many of these persons confine their ambition short of this total perversion of the policy of the country.

The wild scheme of seizing the property of the rich to spend upon bribery and corruption will, no doubt, find great favour, but only with comparatively few, if persons who have the opportunity will rouse the moral and patriotic sentiments of their neighbours, and come to the rescue of our institutions from the shameful spectacle which we have recently witnessed. What a sight it is to behold a Government in the very throes of a monetary crisis under the control of one man—with only a single colleague in the Assembly, possessing any responsibility for public measures. Surely self-esteem, if not self-respect, would lead the politicians of New South Wales to look for a system more in harmony with the theory of representative institutions. Let us however, be just, even to Mr. COWPER. The time came when his services were essential; his measure, bad as it is, was better than the evil it has, we hope, averted.

A SERIES of financial papers has recently been printed, on the motion of Mr. EAGAR, the object of which is to shew the financial position of the colony at the time he left office. The most interesting of these documents is one forecasting a general view of the financial position and engagements of the colony during the year 1865. This document shews that Mr. EAGAR had clearly looked forward to all the liabilities he had to meet. By what process he intended to meet those liabilities is an ex-cabinet secret, for the Ministry was not allowed to bring forward its Budget. But the necessity for fresh revenue was made plain, if the intended remedy was burked before it saw the light.

We are now very nearly at the close of the year, the prospects of which were thus forecast, and we can partly compare the expectation with the reality.

Mr. EAGAR begins his document with the comforting consideration that "we commence the year 1865 with an estimated deficiency on the year 1864 of £413,025 9s. 2d." As this was the nett financial result of a year's government, and that too by a Cabinet that was put into office to replace an Administration that had accumulated during 1863, and previous years, a deficiency of only £392,236 1s., the reflection could not be considered flattering. But at any rate the confession was candid.

The next obligation to be considered was the sum of £100,000 to repay the Bank of New South Wales an advance to that amount on Treasury bills that proved unsaleable. How this obligation has been actually met, if it has yet been met at all, is not clear on the face of any documents that have as yet been published, although Mr. EAGAR noted it as an engagement certain to accrue. It will probably be met out of the proceeds of the loan now being negotiated in London. If so, a portion of the deficit has in this way been slid on to the permanent debt, and ought to be repaid out of revenue.

The next item to be provided for is the £300,000 of debentures falling due on January 1st. The preparation for meeting this obligation has been postponed till the very last month in the year. It would have been more satisfactory if the necessary new loan to extinguish the old loan had been effected earlier in the year. But by the mail which arrives here in February, we may expect to hear that the London agents have taken up the old debentures and issued others in lieu of them.

The next item to be partially considered was the repayment of the issue of Treasury Bills. Only £170,200 of the securites had been actually sold at the beginning of the present year. They are not fully due till the 1st of January, 1868, but they may be tendered at the Treasury for taxes on and after the 1st April, 1866, though none of them fell due in 1865. Mr. EAGAR rightly notes that "provision for their payment at maturity should be spread over and form a part of the income of the years 1865, 1866, and 1867." It was the intention that the deficit should be paid off in instalments, and the plan of Treasury bills was designed to carry out that intention. The idea was a correct one, and would have been more correct still, if a stipulated amount had been made to fall due in each year. The fault in execution was that when it was found impossible to raise the money in the colony, the form of security should have been altered so as not to place two kinds of security on the London market. An application to the Government of South Australia for a loan might perhaps have been successful. That Government had such an overflowing Treasury that, unable to lend all its surplus to the local banks, it lent a portion to some of the Melbourne banks. It would have been a great convenience if a portion had been lent to our TREASURER. That part of Mr. EAGAR's programme which contemplated the laying aside from the revenue of the year of an adequate portion towards taking up the Treasury bills has not been carried out. Whether Mr. EAGAR would have been able to carry out the plan had he remained in office is doubtful, but at any rate his successor was prevented from doing it. If Mr. SMART had been able to get all the revenue he asked for, he might have been able to make the provision required. But, as it was, he would only keep clear of another considerable deficit by abstaining from certain portions of authorised expenditure, and for this he has been severely censured. The consequence is, that as nothing has been done this year towards the redemption of the Treasury bills, the more will have to be done next year. The obligation cannot be evaded, it has only been thrown forward and allowed to accumulate, and in this way has helped to aggravate the difficulty of the present year. The taxation that was refused one year has to be enforced in the next, and the attempt to shirk the burden only makes it heavier. Debts will not melt away by being left alone. Everybody can see now that we never need have been in our present condition of embarrassment if we had only fairly faced our difficulties when they first presented themselves. A cowardly procrastination has brought its punishment in heavier taxation and lighter credit.

In January 1865, Mr. EAGAR calculated the expenditure of the present year to be £1,856,000. This estimate was calculated "on the most economical scale, and irrespective of a supplementary estimate for unforseen services." The amount that was subsequently appropriated by Parliament was £1,824,244, or only £32,000 below Mr. EAGAR's estimate. That estimate shows that at that date there was no idea that retrenchment was at all available as a possible expedient for equalising the income and expenditure. The probable income for the year, Mr. EAGAR estimated at £1,454,456, which, as contrasted with the intended expenditure, would have left another deficit of £401,544. Of course, it was not proposed to contract this deficit. It must, therefore, have been intended to propose extra taxation to that amount; and how this was to have been done without *ad valorem* duties which had just then been condemned by the popular voice, and which had been abandoned by the Ministry, or without direct taxation, which was opposed to the Ministerial policy, is a secret that has never been disclosed. The taxation of luxuries would certainly never have yielded that amount.

We know the method that Mr. SMART adopted to meet the difficulty. His resources were threefold—first, stamp duties; secondly, a package duty; and thirdly, an addition of twenty per cent. to the Customs. None of these resources was he allowed to develop to the extent that he wished, and they each of them failed to realise the estimate that he formed. Till the year is closed we cannot state accurately its revenue, but the latest official estimate is that it will prove to be about £1,747,272. This is nearly £300,000 in excess of Mr. EAGAR's estimate, and Mr. SMART's taxes have not yielded that amount. That estimate was therefore below the mark. Sufficient allowance was probably not made for the increased land revenue as accruing from the pastoral assessments, and Mr. EAGAR explains that he purposely left out any payments by free selectors, as they could go against a supplementary estimate. It was judicious not to rely too much on them, as the amount actually received will go but a short way towards the supplementary estimate.

If we take the revenue of the present year at £1,750,000, and add to it £90,000 on account of the duties conceded to Mr. SAMUEL, and £160,000 as likely to accrue from the five per cent. *ad valorem* duties, we shall have a revenue for next year of £2,000,000. There will be more than this if there is anything like a returning prosperity, and if the Customs returns look up proportionately. With this income and the promised retrenchment, we ought not only to cover all expenditure, but to pay off at least £100,000 of our deficit.

SUPREME COURT.—Business This Day.—In Equity.—Appeal: Brooks and another v. Richardson and others, part heard.

LIGHT FOR NEWTOWN.—The necessity for lighting up the road which runs through this suburb has again been illustrated. An industrious man, who had purchased a piece of land and built a residence near St. Peter's Church, was stopped on his way home the other evening, and robbed of about £30 and his watch, by some ruffians, and shamefully maltreated by them. The residents of this district say that, if the Road Act has not provided for this contingency, the trustees are not precluded from co-operating with the municipality in providing lights for the main road, contributing a share of the expense in the same way that they have already done in kerbing and guttering some portions of the municipal road. We are happy to hear one of the fellows is in custody for the garotting outrage last Sunday evening week.

NATIONAL SCHOOL, WILLIAM-STREET.—At the National School, near the Australian Museum, the termination of the last six months of the year was yesterday signalised by an entertainment to the parents and friends of the pupils, which formed a very agreeable contrast to the proceedings that usually take place on such occasions. Instead of those long and wearisome questions upon all manner of subjects—history, grammar, geography, arithmetic, and so forth—with which it is but too usual to attack the "wee folk" on their grand show-day, the affair at William-street was one which pre-supposed a satisfactory completion of the children's studies, and yet gave the public an opportunity of examining the actual state of the school, and judging of the progress of the scholars. A programme of vocal music and reading was gone through, which was listened to with great pleasure by a numerous audience. Seven part songs were sung by the girls and boys in a style which was highly creditable to their instructor, Mr. Chisiett, the subjects of all these pieces being so judiciously selected that it was impossible not to appreciate the care which had evidently been taken to make the study of music by the young what it ought to be—an effective means of moral elevation as well as of mental development. Amongst these pieces the patriotic songs of "Before all Lands," "My own Native Land," and "The Rifle Cadets," deserve to be particularly mentioned. In the song of "Sweet Bells" also the youthful choristers were highly successful. Four young ladies took part in a duett—"We have been friends together"—which evidently gratified every lady and gentleman present, not less from the ability of the singing than from the modest and unostentatious manner in which the children sang (without accompaniment) under the direction of their indefatigable instructor. The best item in the programme was, however, indisputably, the duett "The last rose of summer," by two girls about twelve years of age, who promise to become proficients if they continue to study music. The reading was in general very good, especially that of the girls several of whom (diminutive in size) read with a clearness of utterance and correctness of intonation that their parents and friends must have felt deeply gratified with. The entertainment terminated with the National Anthem, after which the needlework of the girls and the drawing of the children of both sexes underwent an inspection by the visitors. The general appearance of the children and the order and discipline everywhere observable were considered to reflect the highest credit upon the head master, Mr. Sloman, and the assistant master, Mr. Jonathan Banks, whilst in the female school a similar praise was evidently due to the school mistresses—Miss Dodd and Mrs. Cunningham. The number of pupils now in attendance at this school, in all three departments, is not less than 540 children.

LECTURE ON INTEMPERANCE.—A lecture on intemperance, its effects and cure, was delivered by the Rev. W. Taylor in the Temperance Hall, Pitt-street, yesterday evening, the Hon. George Allen, M.L.C., in the chair. The attendance was numerous, the hall being more than half full. The lecturer dilated at considerable length on the mental, moral, and physical effects of intemperance, and the necessity of living a sober life, especially in a climate where the effects of intemperance were more speedily manifested than they were in the cold northern climates. The discourse was enlivened by many anecdotes and humourous stories, which were evidently appreciated by the audience. The meeting terminated shortly after 9 o'clock, with a vote of thanks to the lecturer and another to the chairman.

UNDER THE HOLLY.—An extremely pleasing cantata, entitled "Under the Holly," has just made its seasonable appearance, the words having been written by Mr. Robert P. Whitworth, a gentleman whose facile pen and fertile brain have already won for him a highly respectable position as an Australian *litterateur*. The plot of the cantata (published by Messrs. Reading and Wellbank, and Messrs. Elvy and Co.) is of a very simple character, conveying the circumstances under which two Australian colonists, named Francis Norman and Henry Mortimer, find themselves when welcomed back to the West of England, after some years' absence in one of these colonies. They are received as strangers by a party of rejoicing peasants, who, according to ancient custom, are going round to their friends with the compliments of the season. The piece opens with a Christmas carol, apparently based upon one of those hearty old compositions which have been sung for hundreds of years in that part of England, and which is now presented to an Australian audience, purified from the alloy of a semi-barbarous dialect, and recommended by the music composed for it by Mr. James C. Fisher. The hero, Francis Norman, finds himself about to be supplanted by Sir Richard Trevelyan in the affections of his lady love, Alice Polwarth, falsely informed that her lover was dead, but who, nevertheless, manages in the end to appear and disconcert his presumptuous rival. The lady declares her unwavering affection for Francis, satisfies him that she has always been faithful to his memory, and the remainder of the evening is then passed in Christmas festivity. The personages introduced are Lady Alice Polwarth, and Barbara (a peasant girl), for the soprano; Helen, a contralto; Francis Norman, tenore; Henry Mortimer, baritone; Sir Richard Trevelyan, basso; Arthur, second tenore; and Waller (an old farmer), basso. There is every reason to believe that this cantata will become a favourite entertainment. The closing portion of the piece is excellent, both in respect of the words and of Mr. Fisher's highly appropriate and beautiful music.

THE COMPOSITIONS OF HERR SIPP.—Herr Rudolph Sipp, who, we believe, has decided on remaining in Sydney, and following the profession of teacher of the pianoforte,—his ability as a pianist having been acknowledged on all occasions, both in public and private,—has received from Europe copies of his compositions published in Hamburg. Those that we have heard possess undoubted merit, and prove him to be a musician in thought as well as in action. The most pretentious is a *fantasie* on airs from "Trovatore," after the style of Thalberg, and one that requires masterly skill properly to develop. In this piece there is an effective study for the left hand, introducing the aria, "*Il Amor sull' ali rosee*," which is continued to the finale in varied figures. A nocturne in A flat, entitled, "Adieu," is a really beautiful conception, and displays, in a remarkable degree, through the medium of music, the parting of two lovers. A delicate composition imitative of distant bells, mingled with the strains of peasant festivities, bearing the title, "Las Campanas de Chorillas," is another of Herr Sipp's happiest efforts, requiring a very elastic and light touch in execution. A march, suggested by the great fire at Valparaiso in 1858, and dedicated to the firemen of that city, is original, and very pleasing. Two mazourkas—one entitled "Julia," and the other "Rosa," and a waltz—*a la* Chopin—are also very commendable productions—the former is of the Schuloff school, and is rather difficult for the performer; but the Rosa is within the capacity of most pianists who have any pretensions to the title. Two other pieces—a fantasia on airs from "La Traviata," and "Le Reve," a study, seem on a cursory glance to possess merit, but we have not yet heard them performed, and therefore cannot give a decided opinion. These various works will, no doubt, receive the attention of the numerous rising performers on the piano who may frequently be met with in the city, and there is no more fitting time than the present festive season to bring them into notice, as being something new, and the works of a gentleman residing among us. There can scarcely be a more suitable Christmas present in music than these *morceaux*. Messrs. Elvy and Co., and other musical publishers, have, we are informed, received copies.

PRICE OF CATTLE IN BATHURST.—The following telegram was sent to us yesterday from Bathurst:—George Forester's cattle sold yesterday. Bullocks, £10; cows, £9; market very scarce.

TELEGRAPHIC MESSAGES.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.]

FORBES.

Friday afternoon.

A hot wind prevailed all day, raising mountains of dust in every direction.

The quantity of gold forwarded by last escort to Sydney was 1357 ounces. No washing up was done on Grassett's lead last week. The miners are at present occupied washing for Christmas.

Many departures for New Zealand and other places have taken place during the last fortnight.

Business dull.

Money scarce, and fodder dear.

TAMBAROORA.

Friday evening.

Moses Bell's party of four crushed at the Victoria Engine yesterday 30 tons quartz, and realised 180 ounces of pure gold. Procured at Johnson's Reef, at a depth of 250 feet, an immense amount of quartz, now undergoing crushing. The engines are busily engaged day and night. Bulk crushings satisfactory.

BRISBANE.

Friday evening.

In the Insolvent Court, Kummerer's certificate was postponed for three years.

The weather is oppressive.

Business steady.

The Boomerang (s.) is on shore at the mouth of the Fitzroy River. Her forehold is full of water. She has 370 bales of wool on board.

At the Peak Downs, 120 tons of copper are waiting carriage.

There are good reports from the Northern goldfields.

MELBOURNE.

Thursday, 8 p.m.

An important equity suit, Kettle v. The Queen and Longmore, which raises the question whether selections under the new Land Act can be made by an agent, and if so whether they can be disallowed entirely at the discretion of the Crown is now before the Supreme Court. To-day a motion by Kettle was successful for an injunction to restrain the Crown from granting a lease to Longmore in derogation of Kettle's rights under his selection by an agent.

The Sydney cricketers practised to-day on Richmond ground.

Large parcel Chilian wheat, balance of the cargo ex Charlotte Andrews, sold; price withheld. Since then Chilian wheat firm at 9s. 3d.

Oats, 5s. 6d. to 5s. 9d.

Maize, 5s. 3d.

100 tons of Scotch pig iron sold at £5 10s. per ton.

Arrived.—City of Adelaide, from King George's Sound.

Sailed, at 6, the Wonga Wonga (s.), for Sydney.

Friday, 11 p.m.

Thomas Johnson, of Sale, an insolvent, has been committed for trial for filing a false schedule.

The Corporation of Melbourne adopted, this afternoon, an address of condolence to Lady Palmerston.

The Insolvent Court, on its rising to-day, adjourned until the 2nd February.

A fair trade has been done to-day.

Breadstuffs are decidedly firmer. Holders of Chilian wheat now ask 9s. 6d. per bushel, and are careless of selling. Adelaide wheat, to arrive, sold at 9s. 9d., in quantity; 10s. was obtained for parcels on the spot.

Malt, in quantity, is selling at 11s. for parcels of three thousand bushels, and a figure below this will be accepted.

Bottled stout is advancing, and 10s 6d. is asked for Machen's.

Further sales of pig iron, to arrive, have been made at £5 10s.

Blackbird twist tobacco is selling at 13d.

150 hogsheads of Marian's ale have been placed at about £6 13s., in bond.

Exchange—½ per cent. premium.

QUEENSCLIFF.

Arrived.—Java, Soderham, Windward, from New York; Alexandra, from Sydney.

Sailed.—Sarah, for Sydney.

ADELAIDE.

Thursday, 7 p.m.

Angry debate going on in the Assembly, on the question of relief to pastoral lessees.

Government land sale realised £15,499.

Weather, last night, was very stormy, with a little rain.

Five hundred bags of sugar were sold by auction, to-day, at an advance on yesterday's rates.

Small parcels of new wheat were sold at 8s. 4d., immediate delivery; small lots of country flour were sold at £20 10s. per ton; town, £21 2s. 6d.

Put back—Midas, for Mauritius; Aldinga, sails to-morrow.

Rain expected.

Friday evening.

The resolutions proposed by Government for the remission of rent to the Northern squatters was thrown out by the Assembly; but the pastoral leases were extended, according to distance from town, from five to seven, ten, and fourteen years.

Tenders have been advertised for the mail service to King George's Sound for two years, to commence in April, for the homeward mail. Date of closing tenders 12th February.

The Assembly adjourned till 9th January.

A resident protector for the aborigines has been appointed for Port Augusta.

New wheat in demand for immediate delivery, but little coming in. Price, 8s. 4d.

No change in flour.

The Midas has put back for medical assistance in consequence of an accident, the chief officer having broken his thigh from falling off the main yard. He has had his leg amputated since.

PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.

Prince of Wales Theatre.—The performances at the Prince of Wales Theatre on Monday evening last were altered from the announcement previously made, in consequence of the illness of Lady Don—the piece to have been produced on that evening was a burlesque from the pen of Mr. George Barton, entitled "Oberon, or the King of the Fairies." On Tuesday, however, the burlesque was gone through for the first time; but it was so manifest that all were at fault in their parts, as to place "Oberon" at a great disadvantage. Its repetition, however, evinced some improvement. The burlesque follows closely the incidents of Weber's opera, with which most of the patrons of the theatre are familiar; there are several clever passages running through the dialogue—as indeed it is impossible there should not be with the author's brilliant abilities in burlesque writing, as well as in other branches of literature. When properly placed before the public, a more extended notice can be given. Several farces, such as the "Rough Diamond" and "Peggy Green," have also been presented, in which of course Lady Don sustains the principal characters. The performances this evening are "Oberon" and the "Child of the Regiment."

Mr. Barry Sullivan, with a full company, including Mr. and Mrs. Heir, Mr. Harwood, and Mr. Laurence, are to visit Sydney in January, and we believe will perform at the Victoria Theatre. Among the novelties to be produced is the new play of "Arragh-na-pogue," which had a run of six weeks in Melbourne.

The Christy's Minstrels.—The Christy's still continue their entertainment at the Victoria Theatre, and they have met with a fair amount of support. The card of the present week has been the production of a clever burlesque on the opera of "Faust," which is received nightly with great applause. We may state that the programme is varied every evening.

The Sydney University.—We understand that Mr. G. B. Barton has been appointed Reader in English Literature to the Sydney University.

Grain in Calcutta.—The following is an extract from a letter dated 8th November, received by a mercantile firm in Sydney:—"Grain of all sorts has risen to nearly famine prices, no rain having fallen since September. The paddy crops are quite ruined, and in many parts of Bengal the people have turned their cattle into the fields to eat off the growing crop as the only means of saving them. There is already great distress in some districts, and there will, I fear, be much more."

NEW ZEALAND.

NOTES ON PASSING EVENTS.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

Auckland, December 7.

The news this week from the East Coast is not very exciting.

From the scene of Major Frazer's late exploits at Turanganui, we hear that the effect upon the natives in rebellion has been most salutary. Since the surrender of the 180 men at the pa close to Bishop Williams's old residence no important movements have been made by the force; the fact being that there are no enemies within reach for them to pursue. Several small parties of natives belonging to the district have come in and yielded themselves prisoners, making up the total of fighting men who are in our hands there to about 230.

The auxiliary force which did not belong to the district, amounting, it is said, to about 200 men, has left and gone, report says towards the West Coast, which is, of course, mere rumour, but at all events out of the range of our observation in some direction.

No one knows exactly what is to be done with those bodies of men who have surrendered to our arms in such numbers along the coast as there can scarcely be less than about a thousand of them, besides women and children. Pardoned, of course, they must be, but on what terms? is the natural question, which no one here can answer. Of course, it is understood that some land will be taken from them, and it is supposed that enough will be confiscated near each of the ports at which our troops have landed, and that it will be handed over to our provincial authorities on the single condition of their occupying it with a European population.

At Opotiki the trial of Mr. Volkner's murderers, and those implicated in the tragedy, has not been completed, and nothing is known of the course likely to be pursued towards them by the Governor. Fears are entertained, however, that a display of the old mistaken clemency may be again resorted to by Sir George, who certainly is weak in his fondness for the native race.

A very stern example of justice, apart from mercy, is, I am convinced, the one thing now needed to put the finishing stroke still required to complete the good work effected by our arms on the east coast of this island of late.

From Waikato we learn that things are gradually settling down in a more satisfactory sort of way. The natives are no longer so entirely bent upon holding themselves aloof from the settlers as they were until lately, but begin to come in pretty freely at all the outlying villages high up the river. These are principally men from Thompson's side of the country over towards the head waters of the Thames River, and therefore this does not say anything in favour of the better disposition of the Ngatimaniopoto tribe—that of Rewi and the King. Of these people, indeed, there are a great many very ugly rumours afloat, and it is even said that a slight collision has taken place between some of then and the outlying post of Taranaki, at the White Bluff, close to the Mokau River, which forms the boundary between Auckland and Taranaki. Probably, however, nothing very serious will come of it, as the Maniopoto have a great name for boast and brag even over their Maori neighbours—by no means an easy pre-eminence to maintain I can assure you.

Rewi and the King are reported to be at Kawhia, the only port between Raglan and the Mokau River on the West Coast, and Mr. Mackay, the energetic Civil Commissioner resident in Auckland, has started on an expedition to have an interview with them. There is, perhaps, some danger of a repetition of Mr. Broughton's affair, but even the Hau Hau fanaticism is hardly so rampant amongst the Waikato tribes as amongst those of Wanganui, and the chances are that if Mr. Mackay does no good, he will suffer no harm in the attempt.

It is not too much to say that the war is in a fair way now to die out. There may, of course, be a fresh outbreak here or there, but nothing very great or very wide-spread is now to be dreaded I think. The Hau Hau fanaticism was indeed the last hope of the cause of Maori nationality, and its utter failure on the East Coast has produced the inevitable result of heartily disgusting the majority of the people with the war.

Like the rulers of America, our hardest task is sure to be reconstruction now, and this will offer a very difficult problem for Mr. Stafford to solve. If any statesman can be trusted to do so there is no doubt that he can, and great things may be hoped from his firmness and moderation.

The gold excitement about Wangarii has died down to a very low ebb, owing to the want of success on the part of the parties who have prospected the country.

The coal, however, from the same district will soon be in the market—I believe in a few weeks now—and this may be nearly as important in its effects upon our future.

Doctor Hector, the Government geologist, is now on a professional tour to the north of Auckland, and great things are expected to result from his examination of the country, which seems to be the richest in minerals of any part at least of the Northern island.

The Provincial Council of Auckland meets on the 12th of this month. Its deliberations will affect the future of this province most materially at this crisis.

By the barque Kate, Captain Carter, we have Auckland papers to the 9th instant.

In its monthly summary for England, the *Daily Southern Cross* remarks:—

The war news of the month is confined entirely to the East Coast, where a crowning victory has attended our arms.

It would appear that the Hauhaus at Poverty Bay had expelled the old settlers and missionaries, plundered and destroyed everything they possessed, and rejected all overtures of submission. A collision between the colonial force and native contingent and the Hauhaus was the consequence. The fanatics sallied out of their pa at Waiapu, near the residence of Bishop Williams, and on two successive days attacked our detachment in force. They were signally worsted, with heavy loss; and at the latest dates the Hauhaus were reported to have abandoned all their pas in the Waiapu district, and 180 men had laid down their arms.

This victory may be looked upon as extinguishing the war on the East Coast; but if the peace is to be preserved, European settlements must be established at every port along the coast, and the civilising influences of commerce and agriculture brought to bear on the natives. These are the true evangelists, which make the desert places of the earth blossom like the rose.

The Auckland *Weekly News* of same date says:—

The prisoners at Opotiki (sixteen in number) await the decision of the Governor as to the punishment to follow the sentence of the court martial appointed to try them for the massacre of Mr. Fulloon, and the crew of the cutter Kate.

Twenty-two prisoners concerned in the Matata massacre are in custody at Opotiki, awaiting their trial. The speedy trial and execution of these murderers will have a beneficial effect on the natives, who understand the necessity for the administration of criminal justice quite as well as we do.

The rebel force in the Opotiki district has retired to a position of great strength, owing to the extreme difficulty of approaching it. No doubt, means will yet be found somehow to get them out of it, and we hope with success. It is something when we find them retiring upon the fastnesses of the country before so small a force as now threatens them, and indicates an improved state of feeling on their part towards, at all events, the colonial levies.

The struggle at Tauranga seems to be virtually at an end, and the last accounts represent the troops as resting from their labours, while small bodies of rebels continue to come in and make their submission, hopeless of a further successful resistance.

Things seem gradually to be assuming a more settled appearance in the Waikato districts, where the natives, instead of holding aloof, begin gradually to mingle with the Europeans, and even to do a little trade with them at the principal settlements. It is of the utmost importance that friendly relations of this kind should be established and maintained, and it would be a thousand pities if any check were given to the increasing confidence that is now springing up between the old and the new proprietors of the soil.

The visit now being made by Mr. Commissioner Mackay to Kawhia is one the danger of which is no doubt more than counterbalanced by the very important objects likely to be served by it, if it should prove at all a success.

It is believed that the King and Rewi are both in the neighbourhood of the port, and Mr. Mackay's attempt at a face-to-face interview with these two pillars of the war party may produce better results in giving confidence to our out-settlements than several victories over the rebel forces.

The Major-General commanding is now on a tour of inspection along the stations on the West Coast. He left Auckland about a fortnight ago, and inspected the Napier detachment of his old regiment, on his way to Wellington.

The following is the distribution of the force at present in New Zealand:—Royal Engineers and Royal Artillery, detachments at the various military stations of the colony; Military Train, Auckland and Wanganui; 12th (2nd), Waikato; 14th (2nd), two companies in Auckland, two companies in Napier, and the remainder at Wanganui; 18th (2nd), Wanganui; 40th, Te Awamutu (Waikato); 43rd Light Infantry, Taranaki; 50th, Wanganui; 57th, Taranaki; 68th Light Infantry, Tauranga and Wanganui; 70th, Taranaki and Wanganui.

The 70th Regiment, which goes home to England in January, is to be succeeded by the 2nd battalion of the 12th Regiment, at present stationed in the Waikato. This will still further reduce the strength of the military forces in Waikato, without doing much good in Taranaki or Wanganui, where there are at present strong detachments of the 14th and 68th L.I., and the full strength of the 18th, 43rd L.I., 50th, 57th, and 70th. The late Government of Mr. Weld proclaimed the Taranaki and Wanganui war at an end, but they took no steps to remove the troops; and the Major-General commanding does not seem to think the 70th can be removed without replacing them by withdrawing the 12th from Waikato.

THE HAUHAUS IN HAWKE'S BAY.

The *Southern Cross* states that a smart engagement is reported to have taken place at the Wairoa between the friendly natives of that place and the Hauhaus, who have been for some time infesting the district.

The Beautiful Star put into Mahia on her way up, and the intelligence was reported to Mr. Pilot Campbell, of that place, although unaccompanied with any particulars of the fight. It will be remembered that when our last advices left Wairoa, a meeting had been held, at which the natives in the immediate vicinity of the settlements expressed their wish that nothing should occur to disturb their friendly intercourse with the pakehas. This meeting was held at the native Ropa's pa, but the upper river natives, who always manifested little respect for the settlers, were not present at it. It is supposed that the Hauhaus were augmented in numbers by some of these natives, and that the friendlies had made an onslaught upon them in order to check further hostilities in their district.

LATER FROM THE SOUTHERN PROVINCES.

From Wellington the only item worthy of notice is that his Excellency Sir George Grey still remains there, the probable date of his departure not being known. The Falcon awaits his orders.

From Taranaki we have details of a skirmish at the White Cliffs.

It appears that a most treacherous attempt has been made to surprise the redoubt at the White Cliffs.

A large number of Maories had congregated about the wreck of the steamer Alexandra, which called off the attention of the troops, and upon their going unarmed within range of the natives, the Maories opened fire upon them, dispersing them in all directions. One man jumped over the cliffs when there was below him a precipice of 120 feet, but he was afterwards picked up, having only suffered a fracture of the knee; he luckily fell on soft sand below, and, although the fall rendered him insensible, he is now doing well.

The natives, as soon as they had produced among our men the panic described, rushed at the redoubt, being assisted by another party of rebels, who had lain in ambush on the other side of the redoubt, while the attention of the troops was attracted by the firing party near the Alexandra. As soon, however, as the troops regained the redoubt and took up their arms, they beat the rebels back, and defended the redoubt until the Maories finally retreated.

Captain Messenger, who was in command of the Redoubt, sent into Taranaki for assistance, and the Taranaki cavalry were immediately sent to their aid.

Further news was hourly expected.

The *Herald's* correspondent at Poverty Bay has nothing new to impart, and concludes by stating he believes "that our fighting in Poverty Bay is nearly, if not quite over, most of the enemy having deserted their pas, and gone towards Wairoa, where I believe we shall have another brush with them, but not any nearer to Napier than that."

From the Wairoa we have additional news respecting the engagement of the friendlies and natives. The *Herald's* correspondent says:—

This evening (December 2nd), a strong party of about 100 men, all armed, arrived from Mahia, Nukutauroa, and Nuhaka. Old Matenga, of Nuhaka, and all his people, took the oath of allegiance, and are going to remove their Hauhau pole to the pa, to hoist the Queen's colours on. After settling affairs at the Mahia, the party proceeded to Nuhaka, where, to some extent, the sincerity and good faith of the friendly natives was tested. Just before starting, word came that Mokena had quarrelled with the Government natives at Turanga and had attacked them, also that he intended to march on to Mahia and the Wairoa, killing all before him. At the same time news arrived from the Wairoa that the Government natives and Hauhaus were fighting. On hearing these accounts the natives turned out, armed, to a man, and trusting that the news from Turanga was false, or, if true, having full faith in those they left at the Mahia, they mounted their horses and started for Wairoa in high spirits. On reaching the Wakaki they found the news from the Wairoa to be also false. There they met Paora Apatu, Hamana, and Karauria, Government natives, who had gone there to advise their relatives to cast off the Hauhau faith and join the Government before it it should be too late. The party slept there that night in the open air, around the pah—fortunately a fine night. Next morning the Hauhau flags were hauled down, and the pole cut down and burnt—the inmates of the pah declaring themselves ready to fight the Hauhaus at any time, being very much disgusted at the manner in which they had been deceived.

POVERTY BAY.

(From the Correspondent of the Hawke's Bay Herald.)

Turanga, November 23.

There has been an unfortunate quarrel between Major Fraser and the chief Morgan. It is said that the latter is en route for Waiapu with all his men.

At 9 p.m. the Forest Rangers arrived, bringing Ensign Ross, severely wounded in the first skirmish. He has been placed in a room of the Archdeacon's house here. I know not what we should have done had not the venerable gentleman's dwelling-house been so kindly placed at our disposal. It contains five small rooms, including kitchen and pantry, and two attics. We muster eighteen men, women, and children, besides our wounded friend and his servant; they, of course, have one of the rooms on the ground floor.

A friend, who visited the front to-day, tells me the destruction is awful. Ewes and lambs, cattle, pigs, &c., cover the ground in all directions. These have been slain, and left on the ground to rot in the pure love of wanton destruction.

The destruction of the Waerengaahika Pa was completed to-day. An eye-witness informs me that it was well stocked with provisions, and so strong that he thinks an assault, even if successful, would have been attended with severe loss.

November 24.

All the Hauhau pas, four in number, have been destroyed; the fugitives have fled to the Wairoa. Some, to the number of forty will, it is said, give themselves up.

There were about 160 stand of arms taken at Waerengaahika; some very old flint muskets among them, and a number of spears and other native implements of war.

THE SOUTHERN ESCORT.

The Southern escort arrived during the week, and delivered at the Sydney Branch of the Royal Mint the following quantities of gold dust:—

From Goulburn, 47 oz 11 dwts 7 grs; Burrangong, 582 oz 15 dwts 6 grs; Yass, 540 oz; Adelong, 556 oz 14 dwts 1 gr; Tumbarumba, 341 oz 1 dwt 6 grs; Gundagai, 365 oz 16 dwts 2 grs; Braidwood, 3440 oz 17 dwts; Cooma, 235 oz 3 dwts 16 grs; Kiandra, 414 oz 13 grs 10 dwts. Total: 6524 oz 18 dwts.

CONSIGNEES:

From Goulburn: Deputy Master of the Mint, 47 oz 11 dwts 7 grs.

From Burrangong: Deputy Master of the Mint, 350 oz 9 dwts 18 grs; Commercial Bank, 232 oz 5 dwts 12 grs. Total, 582 oz 15 dwts 6 grs.

From Yass: Oriental Bank, 540 oz.

From Adelong: Bank of New South Wales, 193 oz 19 dwts 9 grs; Deputy Master of the Mint, 363 oz 16 grs. Total, 556 oz 14 dwts 1 gr.

From Tumbarumba: Deputy Master of the Mint, 341 oz 1 dwt 6 grs.

From Gundagai: Deputy Master of the Mint, 342 oz 12 dwts; Bank of New South Wales, 23 oz 4 dwts 2 grs. Total, 365 oz 16 dwts 2 grs.

From Braidwood: Oriental Bank, 208 oz 4 dwts; Joint Stock Bank, 2913 oz 5 dwts; Deputy Master of the Mint, 319 oz 11 dwts. Total, 3440 oz 17 dwts.

From Cooma: Deputy Master of the Mint, [illegible] oz 3 dwts 16 grs.

From Kiandra: Deputy Master of the Mint, 414 oz 13 dwts 10 grs.

The Wiltshire Dialect.—The following dialogue actually took place a short time since, between a visiting examiner and a pupil, in a school near Salisbury: "Now, then, the first boy of the grammar-class." First boy: "Here I be, sir."—Examiner: "Well, my good boy, can you tell me what vowels are?"—First boy: "Vowls, zir? Ees, of course I can."—Examiner: "Tell me, then, what are vowels."—First boy: "Vowls, zir! Why, vowls be chickens!"

IMPORTANT FROM VALPARAISO.

BLOCKADE OF THE PORTS OF CHILI.

WAR DECLARED BY CHILI.

(From the Daily Southern Cross, December 9.)

By the arrival of the American barque Matias Salvinius, Captain Douglas, from Valparaiso, we have dates to the 5th October, containing important news respecting the blockade of the ports of Chili.

The following is from an extraordinary of *La Patria* of September 28th:—

We present our foreign readers this interesting compend of news with mingled emotions of surprise and indignation. Spain, taking advantage of our undue confidence in her good faith and fidelity to her obligations, has attempted to set her foot on our nation. She will bitterly rue the day. Our offence was that, penetrating her designs against the independence of her quondam colonies, we have dared to speak out and resist her filibustering advances that she may return to her prey in Peru, relinquished for the moment. She dreams to crush Chili in order to remove an obstacle to her ambition. We give the facts as they have occurred, with the despatches and declaration of blockade, and bespeak for our country the sympathies of all who love the right of Americans to hold and govern America. We look for the moral, if not the material, aid of the countrymen both of Canning and Monroe, and trust we shall not be disappointed, although, in any case, we mean to resist to the death.

To the surprise of all, the intelligence was brought on the 11th instant, by an extra steamer from Callao, that the *arrangement made in May last* had not been approved by the Spanish Government, and that the whole question was to be re-opened by the Admiral in command of the Spanish squadron.

Little, however, was anyone prepared for the sudden and peremptory policy which has since been inaugurated by the Spanish agents in the question.

Admiral Pareja arrived on the 18th. He immediately made demands on our Government, not that the negotiations should be resumed, but that reparation should be made for the offences given. Certainly if summariness be a virtue *that quality cannot be denied to belong to the Spanish* commander in a pre-eminent degree. He sent in his despatch on the day of the national independence, calling for an apologetic salute to his flag, to which he would reply, and then commence negotiations. That is, that Chili should make amends, and then negotiate whether amends were due. The choice for the Government was hard. Should the prosperity of the country be compromised? or should the nation's honour be sacrificed? The President has elected the former alternative. Spain has asked degrading terms of Chili, and cannot obtain them.

The representatives of foreign nations, who may be accounted impartial in the case, have disapproved of the policy pursued by the Spanish Admiral plenipotentiary and protested against all hostile measures that he may commit affecting the interest of citizens of their respective countries, on the ground that he has exceeded his own instructions. They also allege that his unusual course is not calculated for obtaining a pacific solution of the questions issued.

In his reply he contents himself with asserting that their Government would have done as he is now doing.

It is about two years since the Spanish squadron, consisting then of two frigates and a steamer, came into the waters of the Pacific. They were received with no misgivings; but, on the contrary, with the liveliest welcome. The Admiral and his officers were entertained at public banquets here and in Santiago.

A natural pride was felt at the prospect of a cordial reunion with the mother country. The Spanish admiral, Pinzon, uttered some ungracious expressions, it is true, but these were received as splenetic, rather than as tokens of ill. The ships went hence to port, and no fears were entertained until Pinzon Mazredo seized the Guano Islands in reassertion of the territorial rights of the Crown of Spain which they further elucidated by going on to say that there had been a truce of forty years between the colony and the mother country. That was the match that caused the explosion. Chili was alarmed. The people more than the Government. South American independence as a principle was assailed. Spain, furthermore had sent to a Peru a commissary to negotiate, which was of old the title of an inspector of a colony's affairs. From that hour trouble was brewing. After Peru had made no effectual resistance, Spain, obtaining a treaty of settlement, gave up the island. Then the Spanish minister in this country complained that Chili had manifested a disposition inconsistent with neutrality; had favoured Peru; had allowed men to be shipped for the Peruvian service, as well as provision and coal. Whereas Spanish ships had later, on being refused supplies and coal by public decree, been forbidden to be exported for the use of either party, because hostilities were *de facto* existing between them. There also was a question of popular outcries against the Spanish flag in Santiago at the house of the minister.

After those complaints had been discussed tartly for some time, the Spanish minister rather suddenly stated that he was satisfied with the declarations of the Chilian Secretary of State. The affair was considered at an end, and commercial affairs, that had been seriously deranged, resumed their prosperous way. Late events, however, have reversed them all. Admiral Pareja arrived on the 17th, and sent in his despatch on the 18th, demanding satisfaction and making threats that he should, within forty days, proceed to extreme measures.

He received a reply refusing to accede to those peremptory demands on the 22nd, and immediately he forwarded an ultimatum that hostile measures should next day be adopted. The remonstrance of the Diplomatic Corps obtained a delay of a few hours. On the 24th the blockade was began at 6 a.m.

Thus, in a week has a heady man, representing a rash and unscrupulous policy, lain open violently the question that was considered by the North to be settled, presented his ultimatum, declared hostilities, and established the blockade of the ports of Chili. The Government has been taken entirely by surprise. They had not imagined for a moment that Spain would repudiate the action of a Minister.

The heart of the nation beats bravely on the land, but an overwhelming force occupies the waters.

Two steam frigates are blockading Caldera the Blanca and Berenguela, another the Marquis de la Victoria is at Coquimbo while the Resolucion and Villa de Madrid each forty-two guns, with transport, occupy the outer roadstead of this port.

Congress in both Houses passed at once the declaration of war, as proposed, over the signatures of the President and all the members of the Cabinet. A loan of twenty million dollars has been authorised; and unlimited power granted to the Executive for raising troops and procuring ships for the defence of the country.

Unfortunately there is no Commander-in-Chief of either the English, French, or American squadrons on this part of the coast. The British Commodore is looked for daily with anxiety, and surprise at his non-appearance. It is apprehended that he may have been detained at Callao, by the progress of the Peruvian revolution.

The diplomatic corps have acted with promptitude. Mr. Nelson, the United States Minister, has led the way, speaking with decision and manifesting a generous sympathy with Chili in the aggravated ill-treatment to which she has been so ruthlessly subjected.

H.B.M.'s corvettes Columbine and Mutine are at anchor in the bay. The French and English storeships have been requested to change their moorings, to get out of the range of fire from the Admiral's ship to the fort. Rumours prevail in town that he will fire on the fort, on the railway station, and on the custom-house stores. Some even say that he intends firing on the town itself, and families have moved into the country for safety in consequence.

Business, as may be supposed, is for the time prostrated. Public securities and stocks have gone down to the most nominal rates.

The National Bank has been authorised to issue four and a half million dollars in bills, not payable in specie until the end of January.

The other banks were compelled to suspend specie payments several days ago.

The steamer San Carlos arrived last evening, the 27th instant, from Talcahuano, running the blockade.

The West Australia, Adam Sedgwick, and Ismay, British vessels, and Napoleon III., French, have come in since the blockade commenced. The Admiral maintains, however, that they must not go out again, since he has control of the entire harbour.

It is understood that the Santiago, British steamer, looked for daily from England, will be allowed to come in, also the mail steamer from the north, due on the 29th, to sail October 2nd, but after that the port will be closed.

The Chilian Government and people declare that they will not in any case submit to the unjust conditions proposed by Admiral Pareja, come what may.

Admiral Pareja declares the ports of Chili under blockade. This is simply preposterous. He has not ships enough to close more than three ports at the most.

The Chilian corvette Esmeralda and the steamer Maipu slipped out of port on the night of the 18th. It is only surmised whither they may have gone; some say to Callao, some to the Atlantic. They were well manned and found.

Circular from Admiral Pareja to the Foreign Consuls, and his instructions regarding the Blockade given to the Blockading Squadron.

Circular directed to the Consular body in Valparaiso.

The Government of Chili still refusing to give satisfaction to Spain for the various insults inferred, the undersigned Commander-in-Chief of her Catholic Majesty's naval force in the Pacific, and Minister Plenipotentiary, informs the Consul of —— that, in obedience to the orders of the Spanish Government, diplomatic relations between Spain and Chili are suspended, and the Chilian ports in a state of blockade.

Annexed he has the honour to hand you the instructions which the Spanish vessels sustaining the blockade have been ordered to observe, from which you will perceive that, while endeavouring to inflict as much injury as possible upon Chilian commerce, neutrals have had every compatible privilege conceded to them, and the undersigned does not hesitate in expressing his opinion that these privileges are more ample than have been hitherto conceded by any belligerent.

The undersigned announces at the same time that, in order to avoid prejudice to the commerce of neutrals as regards any transactions which may be pending, he has determined to give the space of ten days to allow of the sailing from Chilian ports of such vessels as may be at present at anchor, either laden or in ballast, it being understood that the nationality of such vessels be of a date anterior to the notification of the blockade to them by the consul, to be proved to the satisfaction of the captain of the blockading vessel by means of a certificate to that effect signed by their consul, failing which the vessel will be considered Chilian.

The object of the blockade being, as has been stated, to injure Chilian commerce, the time stated above does not refer to vessels under neutral flags which may be loading in one port destined to another in the Republic, that is, the space referred to is only conceded to vessels destined to a neutral port.

The undersigned would observe that his object in participating the above is that it should be made known to your countrymen, for which purpose the captains of the blockading vessels will hand this statement to the consuls at the various ports blockaded.

In thus complying with the orders of his Government, the undersigned takes this opportunity of offering to the Consul of —— the assurance of his respect.

On board the Villa de Madrid, in the port of Valparaiso, 24th September, 1865.

(Signed) Jose Manuel Pareja.

(The date 24th appears to have been corrected.)

The Petition of the Merchants of Valparaiso to the Diplomatic Corps.

Valparaiso, September 27, 1865.

To the Honorable Members of the Foreign Diplomatic Body, Santiago.

Gentlemen,—We, the undersigned members of the foreign commercial body of Valparaiso, take the liberty of addressing you collectively regarding the serious position in which we have been placed through the proceedings of Admiral Pareja, commanding the Spanish squadron on this coast.

We need not occupy your attention with a recital of the serious losses we have already incurred from these proceedings. We would simply say that the consequences of Admiral Pareja's measures, if persisted in, will bring utter ruin upon many of our number, and those whom we represent.

We beg in the strongest manner to express our conviction that measures of so high-handed injustice, undertaken without adequate warning, are contrary to the rights and duties of the Representatives of civilised nations; a conviction which we understand is shared in by yourselves, and one which we trust will be made the effectual ground for the exaction of substantial reparation.

We are not aware what Admiral Pareja's intentions are with respect to foreign property in this port, or afloat in this bay, after the expiry of the ten days' notice, and we entertain serious fears that, under the plea of inflicting injury on Chili, our interests are those which are to be sacrificed.

Impressed by these and other considerations, the foreign commercial body, at a meeting held this day, unanimously resolved to address you collectively, to suggest that all the foreign force under your influence or command in these seas be brought to this port without delay for the protection of our interests. They, moreover, resolved to be at the cost of placing one of the steamers of the English line at your disposal, should it be deemed necessary by you, for the more speedy and effectual carrying out of your views for our protection whatever these may be.—We have the honour to remain, gentlemen, your most obedient humble servants, Gibbs and Co.; Weber and Co.; Williamson, Balfour, and Co.; Vorwerk and Co.; Mack and Co.; Poisson and Co.; J. H. Pearson; Fehrman, Fischer, and Co.; F. Huth, Gruning, and Co.; Zalm and Co.; Meeks and Brown; E. Momus; Stockmeyer and Schultz; George Garland; Le Quellec and Bordes; Loring and Co.; F. Darnay and Co., Helsby and Co., Alsop and Co., Myers, Bland, and Co.; Gunston, Ledward, and Co.; Heatley and Co.; Graham, Rowe, and Co., Green, Nicholson, and Co.; Henderson and Co.; John Thompson, Watson, and Co.; Thomas Bland Garland; Ferreira and Aguiar; N. C. Schuth; Chopis; Wilms and Sothers; R. J. Claussen, T. Lachambre and Co.; Rose, Innes, and Co.; Morris Thomson and Co.; Antony and Merie; A. Hemenway and Co.; Sawers, Duncan and Co.: Templeman and Co.; Panulcillo Copper Co.; Quiffe B. and Co.; Julio Meriet; Betteley and Co.; Mongiardini and Co.; Hainsworth and Co.; D. Schutte, Droste, and Co.; Robert Walker; Luis Osthaus; Cooper and Co.; D. Sim; Germain Brothers; Miller, Cox, and Co.; P. Soruco and Co.

Instructions given by the Commander-in-Chief of the Pacific Squadron to the Captains of Vessels composing the same, for strict observance.

The Republic of Chili having constituted itself in state of war with Spain, all consequences arising therefrom are for its responsibility; in this view, and in order that the proceedings of the vessels under your command may inflict as much injury as possible upon Chili, and at the same time avoid prejudice to neutral nations who trade with the Republic, I hand you note of the regulations to be observed, which are the most effectual for carrying on both purposes.

1. From this date, you are authorised to follow and capture any vessel of the Chilian Republic, whether ship of war, letter of marque, or merchantman, either on the high seas, or in any Chilian port.

2. To take possession of the cargo of any Chilian merchant ship not being neutral property, unless such neutral property consist of contraband of war, and in the event of such neutral cargo being composed partly only of contraband of war, you are at liberty to take possession of such portion of the cargo, leaving the remainder free, although belonging to the same owner.

3. To detain and capture any neutral vessel found transporting either to or from the enemy, official despatches, troops, or seamen, *for the enemy's ships*.

4. To take possession of any cargo found in neutral vessels if composed of contraband of war, the ship remaining free after the extraction of such cargo; if any portion of the cargo be legitimate merchandise, such portion to remain free even though the property of Chilian subjects, as a neutral vessel legalises the merchandise.

5. You are authorised to take possession of all vessels whose neutrality is not proved by corresponding documents.

6 You are at liberty to detain any vessel which, from the appearance of her hull, &c., you consider to be constructed for war purposes, even although neutral, &c., sailing as a merchantman with no contraband of war; since it is possible that such vessel may have been constructed for the enemy; in both cases the vessel must be classified as contraband of war.

7. Vessels will be considered as suspected and liable to examination which carry false or different sets of papers, which fail to produce the maritime documents required by the laws of their country, such as refuse to heave to, when ordered by the blockading vessels, or resist the examination of such part of the hold where contraband of war is suspected to exist.

Suspected vessels will be treated as enemies, unless proof of their neutrality be by the same means established.

You will be very careful to observe that the examination of the vessel's papers is of the greatest importance, such papers forming the base of the legality or the contrary of their capture.

8. Neutral merchantmen, under convoy of neutral men-of-war, are free examination, the declaration of the commander of the convoy to the effect that such vessels do not belong to the enemy, or carry contraband of war, being sufficient protection. In case you should have reason to believe that the good faith of such officer has been eluded, you will make known your suspicions and allow him alone to examine the vessel or vessels suspected.

9. In the event of meeting with a letter of marque under Chili colours, you will take possession and treat her as any other Chilian merchantman, unless from examination of her papers it would appear that she be not duly authorised, in which case she should be treated as a pirate. Such authorisation must be, 1. Letter of marque by her Government in her favour expressing the period and locality where and during which she is allowed to make war upon the enemy. 2. All documents necessary to prove her nationality, and at the same time that the majority of her crew should consist of subjects of the nation to which she belongs.

10. You are not to interfere with the fishery on the enemy's coast, even within the limits of the blockaded waters, that is, the outside range of this squadron's artillery, but you are to be careful that this concession be not made the origin of abuses which might prejudice the blockade or subsequent operations.

11. That a blockade be effective, and consequently respected, it is indispensable that it be carried on by sufficient force to render the entrance to the port or ports blockaded extremely dangerous; bearing this in mind, it is absolutely necessary for you to keep your ship in a position calculated to preserve the efficacy of the blockade, remembering that such blockade can be legally broken the moment its efficacy ceases. (1.)

(1.) Note.—The only legitimate exception to the above rule is the temporal or accidental absence of the blockading vessels, caused by stress of weather. In consequence, the attempt to break the blockade by making advantage of the opportunity presented by the accidental absence of the blockader should be considered fraudulent.

12. That the attempt to enter or leave a blockaded port constitutes violation of the blockade, but a neutral vessel is at liberty to leave such port, either in ballast or with a cargo laden before the blockade, or during the period allowed by the commander of the squadron. Neutrals complying with these conditions are consequently free from capture.

13. No neutral vessel bound for a blockaded port is obliged to know that the blockade exists until notified to that effect, such notification to be entered on the ship's log or other papers, for which purpose you will instruct the officer examining any vessel entering the port you blockade to make entry of notification of blockade upon the ship's log, allowing the vessel to proceed to any but the blockaded or other Chilian port.

The captain of the vessel notified of the blockade will give receipt of such notification, expressing the date and place where notified.

The vessel so notified cannot be examined.

In case the vessel, after notification, should attempt to run the blockade, or communicate with the enemy's coast, you will capture her and her entire cargo; therefore, if after a neutral vessel is notified of the existence of the blockade, and should attempt its violation, you will make her a prize.

14. Declaration of war having been already notified to Chili, you are at liberty to capture all vessels of war and merchantmen, and enemy's property on board, although found out of blockade limits, and although not intending to run the blockade.

Any part of their cargo proved to be neutral and not contraband of war is to be free.

15. In case a neutral vessel should require to enter a blockaded port, through stress of weather, want of provisions, &c., you will allow her to do so, the necessity being proved to your satisfaction. In the event of such vessel carrying contraband of war, you will oblige her to discharge it into one of the vessels under your command, or if the captain prefers to oblige himself to retain it on board until his departure, he may be allowed to do so; in which case the document referring to said permission to be as explicit as possible.

16. As it appears from the foregoing articles that you will have to exercise the right of search, I proceed to inform you of the mode of procedure, in order that no difficulty arise from abuse of the same, and although the law of war allows it considerable latitude, I require that you refrain from exercising it, except in cases where you have reason to believe the result will be the confiscation of the vessel visited.

The manner in which you must proceed is the following:—

1stly. When you intend visiting a merchant vessel, you will hoist the national flag and fire a blank cartridge, on which the vessel should heave to and show her colours; if she does not, you will act as circumstances require until she does.

2. If the vessel immediately heaves to and shows her flag, you will remain at a convenient distance, according to state of wind, &c., always protecting the boat sent to visit the detained vessel.

3. As soon as the vessel is hove to, you will send an officer in a boat, who, accompanied by one or two men, will board her, find out her nationality and cargo, and whether or not carrying any contraband of war, the captain producing to this end the vessel's papers.

If from such examination it results that the vessel be neutral and bound for a neutral port, the officer will allow her to proceed without proceeding to open hatches.

If the vessel be bound to an enemy's port, the officer will require the bills of lading, &c., mentioning the nature of the cargo, in which if no contraband of war be found, the vessel to be at liberty, but if contraband of war be carried, the vessel to be captured, but not even in that case should boxes, hatches, or drawers, &c., be opened with the object of searching for other documents, or suspected merchandise.

4. It being understood that the proceeding do not in any way affect the foregoing instructions respecting the blockade,

5. You are to remember, that, should circumstances compel you to raise the blockade and proceed to neutral waters, the right of search ceases at the limits already pointed out, *i.e.*, the range of the blockading squadron's guns.

6. I repeat, the examination of the documents carried by the searched vessel is of the greatest importance, as forming the basis of the legality of the capture, as mentioned in art. 7.

17. If the vessel be detained and captured, the officer will detain all her papers, giving receipt for same, and cause her to be sailed up to the capturer, who will send men on board to man her, and require the officer placed in charge to make out an inventory of everything found on board, sealing the hatches.

18. The crew of the captured vessel to be retained on board, but women and children, and all other persons not belonging to the Chilian army or navy, to be sent on shore at the nearest port, or the first at which the vessel touches.

If the captured vessel be a man-of-war, you will observe the exception just referred to, and are at liberty to conduct them where you think convenient, under parole, in writing, not to re-enter the enemy's service.

19. That you may have no doubts as to what cargo is considered contraband of war, I enumerate cannons, mortars, and all kinds of arms, caps, projectiles, cartridges, gunpowder, sulphur, saltpetre, military clothing, saddlery for cavalry, tents, and generally all articles fabricated for purposes of war.

20. You will not oppose the entrance or exit of neutral men of war in the ports under blockade.

ADDITIONAL ARTICLE.

To avoid misconstruction of the 12th article foregoing, you are to understand that the concession to neutral vessels of ten days to leave the Chilian ports, with a cargo shipped before the blockade, implies that they leave within and not after such period.

(Signed) Jose Manuel Pareja.

GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

The following notifications appear in yesterday's *Government Gazette*:—

Appointments.—Mr. Denis Donnelly to be Returning-officer of the electoral district of the Gold Fields West, and Mr. John Peisley to be Returning Officer of the electoral district of Orange.

Special Commission.—The following gentlemen have been appointed the members of a commission to inquire into the present state of the harbour of Port Jackson, and to report generally upon the effect produced by the sewage of the city being conveyed into the harbour, and upon the most efficient means for preventing the further shoaling of the waters, viz:—Commander Frederick William Sidney, R.N., President; Commander George Strong Nares, R.N.; Mr. George Robert Smalley, Government Astronomer; Mr. John Smith, M.D., Professor, University of Sydney; Mr. Edward Orpen Moriarty, C.E., Engineer-in-Chief for Harbours and River Navigation; Mr. Francis Hixson, Superintendent of Harbours, Lighthouses, and Pilots; and Mr. Thomas Watson.

Scab in Sheep Act of 1863.—The sheepowners in the scab district of Albury, having failed to elect a sheep director in the room of Mr. John M. Sanger, as required by the Scab in Sheep Act of 1863, Mr. Robert Brown, Collendina, Corowa, has, on the nomination of the chief inspector of sheep, been appointed a sheep director for the said district.

Government Tenders.—The following tenders have been accepted by the Government:—Penman and Tremain—seats for the Lunatic Asylum, Tarban Creek. Annual Contracts, 1866: J. Wadsworth—masons' and paviours' work, and bricklayers' work; W. Huntingdon—plasterers' work; S. Long—slaters' work; R. W. Sheldon—plumbers' work; William Harmer—carpenters' work; W. Renny—painters' and glaziers' work; C. Lewis—blacksmiths' work; J. M'Mahon—building stone for Parramatta gaol; C. Saunders—building stone for Sydney gaol; M. Dawson—winding and regulating clocks; W. Porter—sweeping chimneys; F. Campbell—lighting lamps; W. Adair, J. L. Castner, and W. and B. Miley—emptying privies; John Keep—supply of ironmongery; R. Switson—supply of coffins.

The Fire in King-street.—The salvage from the fire which occurred at the warehouse of Messrs. John Hill and Co., on Thursday night, was removed yesterday to the workshops of the firm in Woolloomooloo. It is considerable in amount, and of great value. It is understood that the damage done to Mr. Hollingdale's premises has been compounded on the payment of the sum of £450 by the London and Lancashire Company. The stock of Messrs. Perry, Brothers, is being removed to Messrs. Colegate and Adnam's rooms pending the adjustment of affairs. Mr. Davis, the proprietor of the Civet Cat, was insured in the offices of the Imperial and Australasian Companies for £1400, £700 in each. His stock, which, independently of fixtures, he estimates at £2000, was all but totally destroyed. Mr. Donovan, the tobacconist, was insured in the Australasian, the amount being, as it is understood, £1000. The rear of his premises was considerably damaged by the falling of Hill's gable, and Mrs. Donovan had a narrow escape from death by the falling debris. An inquest is to be held, with a view to ascertain the origin of the fire, on Thursday next, at the Metropolitan Hotel. An error occurs in our report of the fire yesterday. The steam fire-engine spoken of was not that imported by Mr. Hebblewhite, but was sent out by the makers to the Dunedin Exhibition, and was afterwards brought to Sydney by Mr. Hodgson, the agent of Messrs. Shand and Mason. It was worked by the Insurance Co.'s Brigade, under the personal superintendence of Mr. Hodgson.

Cleveland-street National School.—An exhibition of needlework wrought by the girls attending the National School, Cleveland-street, Redfern, took place at the schoolroom on Thursday afternoon. Notwithstanding the fiery heat of the day and the dust storm which prevailed, there was yet a numerous attendance of scholars and visitors, every part of the school-house being crowded. The place was erected for the accommodation of 250 scholars, but the numbers in attendance have considerably increased, the ordinary attendance being 350. From the specimens of needlework exhibited, it was obvious that great attention has been paid to this important branch of female education. The samples of fancy needlework were very elegant, and nothing could excel the neatness and beauty of the sewing. The proficiency of the girls in this department must be peculiarly gratifying to their friends and teachers, and is no doubt largely owing to the care and diligence of their preceptor, Miss Ryan. A number of drawing-books were also laid on the table, and an inspection of these afforded much pleasure to the visitors. All the specimens were very creditable, but some of them were characterised by more than ordinary excellence. During the afternoon, the children delivered some recitations and readings with considerable success. The passages were correctly given, and in a manner which showed that the young folks had formed a just appreciation of the force and meaning of the language which many of them uttered with elegance and fluency. During the intervals between the reading and recitations, the scholars sang a number of songs under the direction of Mr. Chizlett. Singing has been brought to great perfection in many of the National schools, and it has not been neglected in the schools at Cleveland-street. It was truly delightful to hear the sweet voices of so many happy children harmoniously blended together, and this part of the afternoon's proceedings obviously gave great satisfaction to the visitors, while it gladdened the little people themselves. The pieces sung were:—Hark! the Breezes, Beautiful Land, the Mountain Boy, Escape from the City, My Native Land, Vocal Polka, Fisherman, Rifle Cadets, and God save the Queen. Just before the school was dismissed two of the boys, who had been deputed by the rest, stepped forward and presented the master of the school, Mr. Bridges, with a handsome writing desk, and one little fellow read the following address:—"We, the undersigned boys of the Cleveland street National School, have great pleasure in presenting you with this small testimonial, which we beg you will accept as a token of our esteem and affection. Trusting we may long continue to enjoy the benefit of your valuable instructions, permit us to subscribe ourselves yours," &c. Mr. Bridges expressed his surprise and gratification at this unexpected manifestation of the scholars' regards, and he reciprocated their sentiments of good will. He stated that he had on Wednesday received the report of the Inspector, which informed him that all the classes had come up to the standard required by the Board, and he hoped that next year the result would be still more satisfactory. The examination extended over a fortnight, the subjects being reading, writing, arithmetic, grammar, geography, dictation, composition, object lessons, singing, drawing, geography, algebra, and Latin.

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THE LATE GUNPOWDER EXPLOSION. CHARGE OF MANSLAUGHTER.

[FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

PENRITH POLICE COURT.

FRIDAY, 22ND DECEMBER.

BEFORE Messrs. Lethbridge, M'Carthy, and Single, J.P.'s.

The hearing of this case, commenced on Friday, the 15th instant, was resumed, and concluded. Mr. Windeyer, instructed by Mr. Bowden, appeared for the defence; the case for the prosecution being in charge of Mr. sub-inspector Ryland. Mr. Windeyer applied for the dismissal of the case as against Mr. Watkins, unless some further evidence was to be given to connect him with the charge. The evidence hitherto had failed to prove any criminal negligence on his part, or that he was aware of the dangerous condition of the powder. Mr. Ryland said he had no further evidence to offer as against Mr Watkins. The Bench thereupon dismissed the case as against him, and proceeded with the charge against Charles Francis and Richard Warren.

Patrick Keegan deposed: I am a horse driver, and reside near Penrith; I remember the 13th November last; I was at the Penrith Railway Station on that day; my father, one of my brothers, and defendant Francis, were there; I went there to load powder; we loaded three loads, and took them to Emu Plains; the powder was in bad order, some of the kegs having the heads and hoops loose; my father told Francis they were not fit to go, and that he ought to get some bags to put the powder in that was burst in the carriages; I saw the powder taken out of the railway carriages; defendant Francis asked my father if he could give him bags to put it in; I don't know what my father said; I don't know whether my father or Francis said anything else; we went over on to the Plains; I drove one load over; I noticed the powder leaking all the way from the corner of the station lane to Mr. Watkins's yard; it was running from nine or ten kegs on my waggon; when I arrived at the yard I saw Mr. Francis there; I asked Mr. Francis if he would unload my load in the magazine—the other two loads had then arrived; he said he could not unload it, he had no place to put it; he said he could unload Johnny's load, and afterwards told me I could put some of mine in; I did so; I put twenty kegs into the magazine; defendant Francis said I should take the rest, as he had no place to put it—that is, what remained on the waggon; I think 132 kegs remained on the waggon; my brother brought his load into the yard, and unloaded it into the magazine; I heard nothing said about that or the third load; I unloaded my load on to the team of George Gamble, at a blacksmith's near the yard; I then went over to the Penrith Railway Station for another load; some of the railway porters delivered it; a good many of the kegs were loose, and were leaking when I went across; on arrival at the yard I saw Mr. Francis at the blacksmith's shop, where he was standing; I said nothing to him nor he to me; we started next morning from the Plains about 9 o'clock; I, my brother, and William Lennox, left at the same time; my father went up Lapstone-hill with us on horseback; Gamble was also driving a load with us; we camped the first night at Springwood; before we got half way up Lapstone Hill the kegs were leaking; I did not take notice of Gamble's dray; it was behind mine—the next but two; we left Springwood on the following morning, and went to the Blue Mountain Inn; that day, as soon as we started the casks "started out bursting"; the head came out of one in front on my dray; I did not take notice of the condition of Gamble's dray; after leaving Blue Mountain Inn, next morning, my team led—Gamble's was fourth; about four miles and a half from the Blue Mountain Inn, at a place called Springhill, Gamble's team exploded; I was about thirty yards a head of his dray; Gamble was then third; James Reddin's team was between mine and his; I turned and saw a great smoke and fire, and two dead horses lying on the road; I assisted James Reddin to get a dead horse from under the wheels; I then saw the body of Gamble lying near the fence.

By the Bench: I did not see Gamble at the station; I helped to load his load at Emu Plains; Francis was present then; complaint was made by my father about the state of the powder; my father refused to take it; he said it was not fit to go; I did not hear Francis say anything; I don't recollect seeing Mr. Warren that day; the powder was in wooden kegs with wooden hoops.

Cross-examined by Mr. Windeyer: When the powder came out of the railway trucks it was in bad condition; some was spilt in the trucks; before coming from the trucks some of the kegs were loose; the kegs of powder which formed part of Gamble's load were in a bad condition when received from the railway trucks; the hoops were loose; some of the kegs on my dray in the worst condition were left behind; my brother John's was a smaller load than mine; I believe its being smaller was the reason of its being taken into the magazine, while mine could not be; when I asked Francis to unload my dray he said he could take some of it, but there was not room for all, and that he could take my brother's load; I can't say whether the powder was escaping when we left the Plains; I did not see any escaping; my load was in the same condition as Gamble's when we left the Plains; so far as I know there was no powder escaping from Gamble's dray when we left; it might be escaping without my knowing it; we first spoke about the state of the powder when we had got half way up Lapstone Hill; I don't think it could have been escaping long without our noticing it; Gamble was in my father's employ; Mr. Francis had nothing to do with Gamble.

By the Bench: I have been in the habit of drawing powder, and I never drew any in such bad condition.

By Mr. Ryland: I did not see defendant Warren at all on either day, of loading or departure.

James Reddin deposed: I am a teamster, residing at Penrith; I remember the day of the explosion; I knew George Gamble, and a man named Lennox, John Keegan, and Patrick Keegan; I saw them at the Blue Mountain Inn, with loads of powder on one waggon and three drays; I saw them two miles this side of the Weatherboard at King's Table Land; I was driving a dray; Patrick Keegan's team was first, I was next, and George Gamble third; I noticed powder running out of the dray driven by Gamble, not sufficient to cover the ground; I could see it as I went along; the powder was leaking from the dray in advance of me; the explosion took place two miles this side of the Weatherboard; I noticed Gamble shortly before; about a minute previous; he was walking alongside of the horses; I did not see him smoking; there was no fire alongside the road previous to the explosion; after the explosion I saw the body of deceased, Gamble; I know nothing else of the matter.

This closed the evidence for the prosecution, and defendant Warren was discharged.

The following evidence in defence was then taken:—

William Bayliss deposed: I am licensed lighterman to the Government powder magazines; I recollect landing some powder about the 11th of November, from the magazine; 500 casks of powder; I also remember receiving it from the ship Rifleman; the casks were 48 lb. casks, containing blasting powder; I produce a copy of the ordnance receipt; which shows the condition it was in; if there was a hoop off the receipt would show it; there is such particularity; I never handled better kegs; they were in beautiful condition; I delivered the powder to Gilchrist, Watt, and Co.'s drayman; the casks were delivered in good order; the hoops were sound; no one else loads powder but me.

W. Richard Shephard deposed: I am porter at the railway station, Sydney; I recollect receiving 500 kegs of powder, on the 10th, or 11th November, from Messrs. Gilchrist, Watt, and Co.; branded "GW & Co"; it was in good condition; I saw some hoops loose; I made them secure them before I received the kegs; I refused to take them till tightened; one of the draymen tightened them; so far as I know, powder is never taken without some hoops being loose; it frequently occurs, but they are easily made tight by a few blows of a mallet; I can't say whether this would make them secure for travelling; most of the hoops on the casks are for the purpose of rolling—to protect the staves—as on other casks; I should think, from the nature of the hoops and staves of these kegs, they would be apt to give way on a rough road by the cart jolting, or the heads might come out.

Richard Warren deposed: I was one of the defendants in this charge, and have been discharged; I know the present defendant; he was in Mr. Watkins' employ as clerk and book-keeper; his duty as regards powder coming by rail was to ascertain the number of the kegs received; as far I know, nothing more; defendant transacted business for, and in the absence of, Mr. Watkins, as in this case, but not generally.

W. V. Reid, station master at Penrith, deposed: I recollect 500 kegs of powder coming from Sydney, on the 13th November; the subject of this investigation; I saw two of the drays when loaded with powder; the casks appeared to me to be as usual, in good order; Kegan spoke to me about five kegs being in bad order; they were not on the dray; I do not know what became of them.

The Bench committed the defendant Francis for trial, at the Central Criminal Court, in February next, allowing bail his appearance.

DEATH IN THE BUSH.—An inquest was held yesterday, before the Coroner for the Penrith district, upon the remains of a female which have not yet been identified. It appeared that Mr. J. C. Price, a farmer on the Richmond Road, was engaged in driving sheep through the bush at Castlereagh, on the 19th, when he came across the remains, which were very much decomposed—the right leg and thigh having been eaten away apparently by native dogs. The body appeared to have been lying for about fourteen days. Deceased wore a black merino shawl, and skirt lined and trimmed at the bottom with drab velvet. These and the other articles of dress were brought into the police station at Penrith for identification. The age of the deceased woman was supposed to be about forty. The jury returned as their verdict: "That the deceased woman, whose name was unknown, was found dead, and that there were no marks of any violence."

THE DROUGHT.

[FROM OUR LACHLAN CORRESPONDENT.]

WIND, dust, heat, and sunshine are the physical elements through which the inhabitants of the Lachlan are spinning out the thread of life, which unfortunately for their happiness and interests never, of late days, gets moistened or soaked with rain. Everything, above, below, and all around is dry. With us the drought still continues its unbroken sway. Our river is now a small insignificant stream, slowly meandering its way along the bed of a deep basin, until it finally ceases to be a stream at all, and becomes a mere chain of waterholes. Periodically we have had winds which, for a few days, almost blazed along the earth, and through space, prostrating, for the time being, everything in the shape of animal life, vegetable life we have none, and rendering existence a burden. By their action the equilibrium of the atmosphere is disturbed, and the sky becomes overcast with dark clouds, portentous of coming rain. Occasionally, not always, a few drops fall, about sufficient to prepare our clothes in the "rough-dry" for the smoothing iron, when a loud roaring wind sets in, hurling the loose dust upon the earth's surface into the air in immense volumes and driving man and beast in all directions in quest of shelter. This continues, perhaps, for an hour—sometimes for two, at the end of which the disturbed elements subside. The air is then deliciously cool and refreshing, but the sky is unspotted by a cloud, and the rain has gone, leaving us the inheritors of that hope deferred which maketh the heart sick. And such, therefore, has been the history of our summer life, and at present there is no prospect of any change for the better.

To make matters worse, the country to the south of Forbes which, until of late, has held out well, so far as grass is concerned, has latterly been swept by that most ill-timed but almost invariable accompaniment of drought, the bush fire. When feed becomes scarce, and water scarce, those who are most pinched betake themselves to travelling, and among the rest are the owners of bullock-teams from the inside districts, who pour down on the Lachlan flats in search of sustenance for their famished cattle, where they establish themselves upon camping grounds, and remain so long as the patience of the neighbouring squatters lasts. When this is exhausted, and an intimation is given that the time for departure has arrived, preparations are made for "up stick and off." On the following morning the camp is deserted; but a villainous fire-stick, judiciously applied to two or three rotten logs in the neighbourhood, has set the country in a blaze, and the blackened earth, and long line of flame consuming the food which the day before he hoped would keep the life in his famishing kine, until the rain once more blessed us with its presence, are the mementoes of the departed teamster's revenge. This, there are good reasons for believing, has of late been by no means an uncommon occurrence. And yet we have no law to prevent such rascality. In this particular, our neighbours in Victoria have stolen a march upon us, having protected their grazing lands by a law which severely punishes such outrages as the one I have just described; and the fact is one from which some patriotic member of the bucolic district might advantageously, to the country at least, take a practical hint. No doubt, in many, perhaps the majority of cases, these conflagrations, with all their destructive consequences, are the result of mere carelessness on the part of travellers who have their camp-fires burning, after partaking of the morning's meal and starting on their journey. But the Victorian law, I believe, meets even such a case as this, and very properly punishes such criminal carelessness.

In strange contrast with the character of the weather hereabouts is the frequency of the rains latterly in the Orange and Bathurst country, and even the region stretching away from the Billybong appears to have been specially favoured by a heavy shower of rain, by which the gulleys have been filled and the dry grass refreshed with an intermixture of green. Thursday last was prolific of promise of a heavy down-pouring, but as stingy of performance as all its cloudy predecessors for the past twelvemonth. A lowering sky, looking as like rain as possible, overhung the country for an hour or two, a smart dropping set in, which continued about a minute, and then followed the usual gust of wind and dust-cloud, with the as usual termination of a clear sky and unbroken drought. At present the heat during the day is what we consider moderate, and the nights and mornings cool and pleasant. Last week the thermometer on two occasions stood at 110° in the shade. Judging from past experience of the climate in the Lachlan, the old residents entertain little hope of a change to rainy weather until after Christmas.

To avoid the certain destruction which must follow should the drought continue, large numbers of sheep have been removed to the Tumut and Murray River. Of those which are left hereabouts there is little ground of complaint, except on the score of poverty. The breeding flocks of Hanbury Clements, Esq., have averaged 90 per cent. increase, and others of which I have heard 70 to 80 per cent. The fleeces, however, are this shearing lighter than usual. On several of the cattle stations the proprietors have for some time past been killing the calves to save the cows, and in this manner, no doubt, a good many grown cattle will be saved. In numerous instances the foals dropped from brood mares die within a day or two of foaling, for want of the milk of which the drought has deprived their mothers. The crops have long disappeared, having been literally burnt into dust. On some runs, amongst the rest the run of Josiah Strickland, Esq., Bundaburra, men are employed felling trees, the leaves of which furnish sustenance to the starving cattle until it pleases Providence to supply them with better. On the Humbug and Billybong Creeks the water has disappeared, the station-holders having removed their working horses to some friend's establishment, and left their cattle to go whither their instincts may carry them. The few who remain on their stations have barely sufficient water left for domestic purposes, and there are cases in which parties so situated take a working horse or two—the sole relics of a stock establishment—perhaps every second day, almost incredible distances, to slake their thirst. As a necessary consequence of this state of things, beef and mutton are scarce and dear. Vegetables, except a few sapless, innutritious greens, secured by immense industry by Chinese, in very spite of drought, almost unknown. Everything, in short, which springs from the soil is either unattainable, or attainable only at famine prices. Butter is not to be had, or had only on occasions at 3s. 6d. per lb., because the dairies, with one or two exceptions, have broken up for want of grass or water, or both. Potatoes, for a supply of which we depend upon the Orange district, are sometimes procurable at 20s. per cwt. Slaughtering cattle, fat being out of the question, bring £6 or £7 per head, and their beef, by retail, 5d. per lb. for joints, and 6d. for steaks. Before the late rains in the Orange and Bathurst districts, flour and fodder rushed up, in course of a few days, the former from 25s. to 36s. per 100 lbs., and the latter from 14s. to 25s. per cwt. The advent, however, of showery weather speedily reversed this order of things, and a decline in prices speedily followed. At present the prices ruling are:—Flour, 32s. per 100 lbs.; hay, £20 per ton wholesale, retail 25s. per cwt.; maize, 16s. per bushel; oats, 14s. per bushel. Should rain visit the agricultural districts, so as to permit the planting of late potatoes and other vegetables, the circumstance would exercise a favourable influence upon the price of necessaries; but this, at present, is exceedingly problematical.

Within the last two or three weeks the deterioration in the condition of the cattle has been very marked and rapid, and deaths are now becoming more frequent. At Bogendillen—a run about forty miles below Forbes, which is intersected by a long lagoon, extending into Mr. Suttor's Borambil run, and the water of which is fast drying up—large numbers of cattle have perished amongst the muddy deposit. The accounts from several runs immediately below Condobolin are of a still more serious character. There it is said that the cattle are perishing in hundreds—that all vestiges of feed have disappeared, and that the whole country wears the appearance of a vast sterile waste. And still the hot winds continue to blow, and the sun to blaze down upon the earth's surface with undiminished intensity, and appearances generally no more betoken the approach of rain than they did three months ago. Occasionally we hear of heavy showers and falls of rain in particular localities—of creeks flooded bank high, and flats submerged by the down-pour from the ridges, but the areas thus specially favoured are invariably limited in extent. A feeling of blank despair appears to be fast uprooting all the remnants of hope to which those engaged in squatting pursuits have, until of late, perseveringly clung, and a change for the better is regarded as one of the most uncertain and problematical amongst the contingencies of the future.

THE POOR MAN'S FRIEND.

To the Editor of the Herald.

SIR,—The poor man's friends have indeed befriended him at last. In order to realise 5 per cent. of revenue they have taxed the poor man heavily indeed. Take, for example, 5 per cent. charged at the Custom-house, paid in cash by the importer, who sells his goods at four months' credit; he has to charge on the duty so paid bank interest, 9 per cent. per annum, which makes 3 per cent. additional to the duty; this enhances the cost of his goods 5¼ per cent., on which outlay, as well as the previous cost of goods, he charges his profit—say 20 per cent.—which makes the duty cost the first purchaser from the importer 6¼ per cent. The first purchaser or retailer has then to charge his profit to the consumer; say his profit is only 25 per cent. on cost (which includes the duty), that makes 1¾ per cent. more for duty; thus showing that, by this precious mode of levying taxes, the consumer or "poor man" has to pay 8¼ per cent. for every 5 per cent. of revenue collected from the importer, out of which 5 per cent. the Government have to pay all charges for collecting before they come to the net amount of revenue; so that most likely, for every £3 the Government has to spend for the public, the public have had to pay £8 5s. If this is not making the poor man pay for the money wanted to carry on the Government, I do not know what is. But, besides the hurt to the poor man, see how it affects the trade of Sydney. One half at least of the value exported to Queensland is in supplies to country storekeepers, extending over all parts of the colony, and is therefore made up of a great variety of small parcels, which are selected from open stocks in Sydney, both wholesale and retail. The goods, of course, will all have paid duty, and are thereby enhanced in price. Does it not strike you that the Queensland importer has a better chance of competing with us by that amount, and that this duty is a premium to the young importing houses in Queensland to put us out of their market? That would reduce the trade of this port at least one-third. And if this tariff is passed, you will see their imports from Europe largely increased, while ours will be proportionately diminished, and before eight months have passed we in Sydney will find shipments to Queensland falling off, and there will not be the same need of the fine fleet of steamers belonging to this port, nor will Sydney maintain her present supremacy as a trading city.

POOR MAN'S FRIEND.

Wynyard-street, Sydney, December 21st.

To the Editor of the Herald.

SIR,—I bees a working with Mister Smith who pas me thirty shillings a week. If so be, I had gotten to pa double dooty on tea, it wud ha cost me six shilling a year,—but it cost I last year four and twenty pound to cloth the missus and self and chicks, an this here new dooty will cost me twenty-four shilling a year. If that's being a poor man's friend, why I say bother it that's all.

Your servant,

J. BROWN.

PRISON BREAKING.

To the Editor of the Herald.

SIR,—Your columns have given a little information about the escape of six prisoners from Port Macquarie gaol, not very long ago, and that four of them were recaptured and two gave themselves up. I am now told they are not to be tried for prison-breaking, on account of the very heavy expense involved in prosecuting such cases, owing to the present state of the law. It appears that proof is required—not merely such as plain common sense would deem enough, viz., that certain men were legally in prison on a given date, and that they broke out of prison, and were again taken and identified by the prison authorities as the same men. But the law, in mythical and uncommon sense, demands proof of their identity from the hour of their first committal to the first gaol they were sent to, by witnesses of the fact, and who, in several these cases, must be brought from the most remote stations in the colony. To unsophisticated folks this looks only like absurdity, and needs prompt alteration.

I trust some member of our Parliament may take the question up, and get this cumbrous Statute repealed or put right. Under the present financial stress on the Government, we need not blame them for passing by these cases, and only prosecuting for larceny or robbery when out of gaol. And this, some may say, is enough to procure, on conviction, sufficient punishment for both crimes. This I will not deny. But, Mr. Editor, there is another question beyond the punishment of the prisoners, and, I take it, a question quite as important. How does this thinking of the effects of prison-breaking operate—well or ill, on the public mind, and on the minds of men in gaol. I believe that, in this instance at last, its effect is most unfavourable. The prisoners argue, and logically, if Ned and Jim broke out of gaol, and were not tried or punished for it, why should not we try. The immunity acts as a premium and incentive to insubordination. How else can it act?

Then, as to the public, particularly that portion of it more immediately concerned. Take Port Macquarie town and district. When the escape of six men from the gaol became known, every man turned out in energetic pursuit, and for a week business and farming were alike nearly at a stand. Had the Southern districts shown half the same energy and spirit against bushranging that have been shown at Port Macquarie, the colony would have had a better reputation than it now has. But what is the upshot to the people of that town? What have they gained by their efforts and sacrifices? This only—the conviction that they did their duty, and did it spiritedly.

Still, Mr. Editor, all of us are not transcendental enough to be content with such a "reward of merit," and scarcely a word of acknowledgment. We feel as if a wet blanket were thrown on our zeal and energy in the cause of good order, and that, another time, we need not take such pains to earn, as our reward, indifference to our sacrifices and vigour, and the spectacle of crime avowedly ignored under the present state of the law.

I again say that neither the present Government, nor any other Government, in their financial position, is to be blamed for the course now animadverted upon, but the cumbrous and absurd state of the law; and I trust some member of the Legislature will take up this law, and get it amended, and the sooner the better.

Yours, &c.,

A GRUMBLER.

December, 1865.

To the Editor of the Herald.

SIR,—I notice that during the debate in the Assembly last night Mr. Joseph referred to information that I had given to him respecting my intercolonial trade as illustrating the prejudicial effect of ad valorem duties.

His remarks have, I fear, been misunderstood, and, as reported, may lead to great misapprehension, and, therefore, with your permission, I would make the following explanation.

It is well known that there is great competition between the Sydney and Melbourne houses for the Queensland trade, and that it requires the utmost care and management on our part to hold our ground against the Melbourne traders. A duty of 5 per cent. upon our goods would make all the difference in favour of our competitors, and would at once destroy this portion of our business. I have no doubt it is thought by many that the profits on hardware are so large that we can well afford to make such a sacrifice; but it will be found upon inquiry from the principal houses that the net profits do not exceed from 6¼ to 7½ per cent. But is it just to the traders of this colony that they should be compelled to make so great a sacrifice, or is it for the interest of the colony that we should be compelled to abandon so large a portion of our business to enrich the neighbouring colony of Victoria.

I already pay directly for package duty upwards of £1200 per annum, the payments since June last amounting to £748 13s. 6d., and for this heavy tax I received no return or advantage whatever. The prices of the goods cannot be increased, because the duty of one shilling on a package is too small to be apportioned over the articles, and the importer has to bear the whole of this duty.

Of the £60,000 worth of goods I ship annually to Queensland, but a very small portion (probably not exceeding in value £500) is in original packages, and unless ample provision is made for allowing drawback upon all goods exported that have in any way paid the duty, I shall be compelled either to submit to the loss of this 5 per cent. duty—equal upon my shipments to £2500 per annum, more than half the net profit, in addition to the very heavy burden of package duty, or to abandon the intercolonial trade altogether.

If, however, we must have this imposition, I would suggest that provision be made for allowing the drawback upon all goods exported where it shall be made to appear by solemn declaration that the goods about to be shipped have paid the duty, and a heavy penalty may be imposed upon parties committing frauds or making a false declaration. Trusting that this matter will have the serious consideration of those who have the power to lessen the evil,

I am, &c.,

FREDERIC LASSETTER.

To the Editor of the Herald.

SIR,—On perusing your journal of December 4th instant, I was not a little surprised on finding a letter addressed to our honorable Treasurer by Sam. Wooller, and which I thought would call for some attention from his brother horse dealers. I have been anticipating that some one of them, or as a body, would have had mettle enough to take up the cudgels and ask him to whom he alludes when he addresses them in such cant phraseology as fences, alias horse stealers, in this the 19th century. He mentions something in regard of a tax been placed upon these said gentlemen, as a means of scarifying or separating the clean from the unclean; which, in all probability, if such could be properly applied, might not be amiss,—but that I will leave to our present able Treasurer. If Sam. Wooller had taken the precaution, previous to writing such an epistle, and examined his own advertisements that appear every morning in offering to pay proceeds of all horses, &c., sold by him in his yard immediately after sale, it would not but strike him nothing would suit a person with ill-gotten gains better—giving him every opportunity to rid himself and disappear from the scene of action before the rightful owner was cognisant his property had gone. I have always been led to believe that Mr. Wooller was a man of more common sense than to reproach his fellow brethren with such scurrilous allusions, and mix them with that class of the community to whom he daily holds out, and of whom he and his flowery composer appear to be so well informed in their nomenclature—in my humble opinion Samivel and his friend ought to be.

I remain, yours, &c.,

FAIR PLAY.

To the Editor of the Herald.

SIR,—As a resident at the Glebe, I beg to bring under your notice the great want existing of police protection to those who, like myself, have occasionally, late at night, to return home over the Pyrmont and Blackwattle Bridges. Only a few evenings since the toll collector at the latter bridge was furiously set upon by a band of ruffians, and most cruelly maltreated. He, I have ascertained, was at the time going from the one bridge to the other. The loss he sustained was only a few shillings, but the attack, which was of the most cowardly description, and by about fifteen or sixteen men in a body, proves that it is altogether unsafe for passengers to return home, after dark, by this route, unless properly armed. I do not think it would be asking too much of the police authorities if they were to put on a mounted patrol, after dusk, on this convenient cut into town, as it is a most dangerous and unprotected locality. If no steps be taken for the public safety in this respect, I am confident the shareholders in the bridges will find a serious diminution in their weekly returns. Your kind notice of this letter, however, will tend to put parties on their guard, and induce them to get home as early as possible, instead of remaining until

AFTER DARK.

THE HAY DISPUTE.

To the Editor of the Herald.

SIR,—A hay grower in a communication to you under the above heading appearing in the *Herald* on Tuesday, states, "I have seen bands of well secured hay cut by the intending purchaser, with the supposed view of seeing what it is like and in most instances out of wanton mischief." Now, Sir, I will not characterise this statement by the name it deserves, but I beg to state that I have been a constant attendant at the sales of hay at the Sydney terminus since the traffic commenced there, I have also been a purchaser of hay at the old market for the last eighteen years, and have never in all my experience seen either at the Terminus or Hay Market, a band cut for the purpose as above stated, nor have I ever heard of such having been done. I maintain that no waste (*i.e.*), no appreciable waste takes place in unloading the trucks, except from bad trussing and imperfect binding, and as the trussing is performed by the grower surely he ought to be the sufferer, but he only bears half the loss as the same amount of waste takes place on unloading the drays at purchasers' stores who of course bear that loss, but by the new arrangement the buyer would have to bear all the loss occasioned by the slovenliness of the grower. Your correspondent says that it is injustice for the grower to pay for delivery from the trucks. Ever since the Hay Market has been established the grower has delivered the hay, *i.e.*, unpressed hay, at the purchaser's stores, and now that he gets it conveyed by rail much cheaper than he could bring it by the road, even including the charge for delivering from the truck, where is the injustice? As to his remark that bad hay would not be put in the middle of the truck a second time it is so absurd that it requires no comment.

One side of a story is good till the other is heard.

I am, Sir, yours faithfully,

A HAY BUYER.

Ex-Governor Tod, of Ohio, recently declared that the Democratic party couldn't be trusted. If it was in power, the National debt would be in danger of repudiation, unless linked with the rebel debt—national securities would decline, and justice would not be done the soldiers or the soldiers' wives and widows; consequently it was the duty of every patriot to stand by the Union party.

MERCANTILE AND MONEY ARTICLE.

FRIDAY EVENING.

THE amount of Customs duties paid to-day is as follows:—

Brandy	£377 10 0
Gin	70 17 11
Whisky	0 13 5
Rum	406 0 0
Wine	70 1 0
Ale, porter, and beer (in bottle)	16 4 0
Tobacco and snuff	22 10 0
—— (unmanufactured)	167 8 0
Cigars	64 12 9
Tea	2 7 0
Sugar, refined	0 9 7
Dried fruits	20 14 5
Pilotage	30 3 0
Ad valorem	346 5 5
Package charge	59 9 0
Total	£1552 5 6

The amount of gold coin issued by the Sydney branch of the Royal Mint during the week ended (to-day) December 22nd has been 65,000 sovereigns.

The quantity of gold dust imported into the same establishment during the week, for the purpose of coinage, has been 4096 oz.

The Southern escort arrived during the week and delivered at the Sydney branch of the Royal Mint the following quantities of gold-dust:—From Goulburn, 47 oz. 11 dwts. 7 grs.; Burrangong, 582 oz. 15 dwts. 6 grs.; Yass, 540 oz.; Adelong, 556 oz. 14 dwts. 1 gr.; Tumberumba, 341 oz. 1 dwt. 6 grs.; Gundagai, 365 oz. 16 dwts. 2 grs.; Braidwood, 3440 oz. 17 dwts.; Cooma, 235 oz. 3 dwts. 16 grs.; Kiandra, 414 oz. 13 grs. 10 dwts. Total, 6524 oz. 13 dwts.

The Share Market continues very quiet. The sales this week have been confined to bank shares, which still incline to rule higher. There have been no alterations in the prices of bank shares since our last report, but there are buyers at the quotations. Steam shares are very dull, and no transactions are reported. The accidents that have occurred to two of the Australasian Steam Navigation Company's steamers have caused buyers to come forward. Insurance shares are slow of sale, in consequence of the loss of the Duncan Dunbar, and the disastrous fire yesterday in King-street. United Insurance shares are offered at £1. The following are the prices at which sales have been made during the week: Bank of New South Wales, £43 to £43 5s. and £43 10s. per share; Commercial Bank, £54 per share; Australian Joint Stock Bank, £15 10s. per share—new shares, £12 per share; City Bank, £11 and £11 2s. 6d. per share; Bank of New Zealand, £15 per share; United Insurance Company, 25s. per share.

DEBENTURES.—A sale of New Zealand Government Debentures is reported at £100 and interest.

The loss sustained by the United Insurance Company by the wreck of the Duncan Dunbar, is £2000 and not £4000 as reported.

The following table will show the closing prices of our securities, as well as the rate at which sales have been made during the week.

Capital.	Companies.	Paid up per Share.	Closing Prices.	Business Done.
£	Banks.			
900,000	Australasia	£40	75 to 77	...
400,000	Commercial	£25	54	54
500,000	Eng. Scot. and Aust.	£20	21 to 22	...
500,000	Joint Stock	£10	15½	15½
	Ditto New Shares	£9	12	12
1,000,000	London Chartered	£20	25 to 26	...
2,000,000	Oriental	£25	52 to 54	...
1,250,000	Union	£25	49 to 50	...
1,000,000	New South Wales	£20	43 to 43¼	43, 43¼, 43½
500,000	New Zealand	£10	15 to 16	15
2,000,000	Agra and Masterman	£50	120 to 125	...
200,000	City Bank	£10	11⅛	11, 11⅛
	Steam.			
320,000	Australasian	£20	20	...
62,000	Clarence & Richmond	£10	4 to 6	...
85,000	Hunter River	£10	10½ to 11½	...
50,000	Illawarra	£5	3½	...
60,000	Queensland	£10	5 to 6	...
	Insurance.			
600,000	General Marine	30/	2¼ to 2½	...
150,000	N. S. W. Marine	£9	3½ to 4	...
250,000	Sydney Fire & Marine	£2	2½	
500,000	Pacific Fire and Marine	£2	3½ to 4	
500,000	United Fire and Marine	£1	1 to 1¼	1¼
1,000,000	Southern	£1	1¼	
	Miscellaneous.			
300,000	Gas Light	£8	12½	
	Ditto New	£5	10 to 11	
50,000	Sydney Exchange	£10	2½ to 3	
50,000	Pyrmont Bridge	£5	3½	
150,000	Wallsend Coal	£10	6 to 7	
80,000	Waratah Coal	£6	4	
30,000	Moruya	£5	...	...
	Ditto	£5	...	...
100,000	Peak Downs Copper	£1	⅛ to 1	...
60,000	Cadiangullong	10/	...	...
	Ditto	£1	...	...
30,000	Hartley Kerosene Oil and Paraffine	£1	...	...
40,000	Glanmire Gold Mining	10/	...	...
60,000	Fitzroy Iron	£5	...	...
	Debentures.			
	Government due in 1866, 1871, 1875, 1874, 1876, 1888, 1891, and 1892	£ 100	93 to 95	95
	Interminable	100	90	...
	Queensland Govt.	100	104 to 105	...
	A. S. N. Co., due in 1866, and 1869	100	100	...
	City of Sydney	100	95	...
	Pyrmont Bridge Co., due in 1869	100	100	...
	Col. Sugar Refining Co., due from 1863, to 1868	100	100	...

Messrs. Mort and Co. catalogued 928 bales of wool, and sold 26. The principal lot was 8 bales fleece, B over WJP, at 15d.; 5 bales fleece, CR, fetched 13½d. Two lots of greasy wool sold at 8½d. and 9½d. Sheepskins: About 10,000 were disposed of, at 1½d. to 6½d. per lb. Tallow: 40 casks were sold, at prices from £38 to £41 5s. per ton. Hides: About 800 hides were sold, at from 11s. 3d. to 13s. 5d.

Messrs. Irwin and Turner sold to-day 12 lots sheepskins, at from 4½d. to 7½d.; 43 casks tallow, at from £40 to £42 5s. per ton; and about 260 hides, at from 7s. 3d. to 13s.

Mr. O. B. Ebsworth sold to-day 11 casks tallow, at 42s. per cwt.

Mr. J. Graham sold to-day 31 casks tallow, at from £40 15s. to £47 per ton; also 54 hides, at from 5s. 9d. to 11s. 6d.

Messrs. Richardson and Wrench have sold by auction and private contract during the week the following properties:—The George Hotel, Picton, and 71 acres of land, £1250; two cottages in Elizabeth-street, £1390; cottage and land, in Castlereagh-street, occupied by Mr. Palmer, £1200; block of land premises occupied by Mr. Battley, Castlereagh-street, £960; allotments of land, Cleveland and Crown streets, Surry Hills, £2 2s. to £3 per foot; eleven acres of land, Willoughby, North Shore, £12 per acre; three acres of land at Picton, with small vineyard, £175; leasehold of allotments of land, Elizabeth Bay Estate, Darlinghurst, £19 per annum; a small farm, near the Oaks, Picton, £87. The city properties in Pitt, Lower Fort, and Campbell streets, advertised for sale to-day, were withdrawn.

Mr. H. R. Reid catalogued 281 bales, but sold only 5 bales, buyers quite indisposed to operate. He also sold 223 hides, at 12s. 6d.; and lot shankbones, at £6; and by private sale, clip of greasy wool, at 10d.

In the flour market there has been a better demand this week, in consequence of the trade having been keeping their stocks low in anticipation of the new wheat and flour coming from Adelaide. Best Adelaide brands are quoted at £25 to £26; second brands about £1 per ton less.

The Auckland *Daily Southern Cross* of the 9th instant has the following remarks on the probable effect of the war between Spain and Chili on the Australian flour markets:—

The important intelligence of war between Spain and Chili, which we were enabled to publish yesterday in a second edition, and which will be found published elsewhere in to-day's issue, cannot be dismissed with merely a passing comment. In its consequences, this war is much too serious a matter for New Zealand and Australian interests not to command attention. It is of far greater consequence to us than even the late American struggle, although it does not appeal to our sympathies in the same way. The Spaniards, and Americans, of Spanish descent, are aliens and foreigners to us; whereas, each section of the great American Republic represented our own race and language, and in the struggle, the kindred and many near relations of New Zealand and Australian settlers were killed. But a war between Spain and Chili affects us in another way. It interferes with our commerce. It stops our supplies of breadstuffs; for if the blockade established by Admiral Pareja be made effectual, we shall be compelled to look to California to supply us with breadstuffs during the coming season. The high prices of wheat and flour, which ruled for the last two years, would have been run up fully thirty per cent., but for the Chilian supplies. In Victoria and New South Wales the harvest proved a failure; and even in South Australia there was a very considerable falling off in the yield of breadstuffs. The drought in California likewise tended to enhance the value of wheat and flour. This season, fortunately, the reports from California are so far favourable; and the Australian harvest is likely to prove an average. But owing to the failure of last year's crop, the breadth of wheat land sown in Victoria and New South Wales has been sensibly diminished this season, so that little additional to last year's produce can be expected from that quarter. In short both Victoria and New South Wales must import largely to meet their own immediate wants. We find that Victoria alone annually imports flour worth one million pounds sterling, and 600,000 bushels of malt. The Sydney imports cannot be far, if anything short of this; so that the closing of the Chilian ports, at the very beginning of the harvest, is really a most calamitous affair. No doubt the European demand for Californian produce will be considerable. The trade, having once been opened, is not likely to fall off to a very appreciable extent; and the home advices do not lead to the conclusion that there will be a surplus yield. We therefore anticipate that should the Spanish Government persist in its wicked and mischievous aggression on the Republic of Chili, we shall be tied up to the Californian and South Australian markets. And this means, in other words, that breadstuffs will range high, and the cost of living will be dear.

We are indebted to the same paper for the following report of the flour market in Valparaiso, dated September 20th:—

Since the publication of our last price current, transactions have been paralysed on account of the blockading of this port by the Spanish fleet, declaring all Chilian ports in the same state.

Flour.—Availing themselves of the Spanish Admiral Pareja's permission of ten days from the 24th of September for the clearance of all neutral ships, holders of this article have taken up all disposable vessels to load for their own account for Australia, Peru, and the coast.

As those shipments are being made for account of millers and holders, it is difficult to quote any price. Some sales have been made from 5 dollars to 5 dollars 50 cents, f.o.b., for 2 quintals. As soon as the ports will be closed, prices will fall considerably. Since last mail we estimate the export to be about 100,000 quintals.

Wheat is under the influence of the same causes above mentioned, and stock on hand having been small, exports have been in the same proportion; as far as we could ascertain, transactions have taken place to the amount of 25,000 fanegas, from 2 dollars 50 cents to 2 dollars 75 cents, in bags of 155 lbs. f.o.b. for Peru. Markets remain without any stock.

Barley.—All stock on hand has been disposed of at from 2 dollars 37½ cents to 2 dollars 50 cents the fanega of 155 lbs., according to quality of bags, and were shipped at once for the same reasons as already stated above.

Messrs. Stables, Straker, and Co., in their Circular, dated London, October 16th, report as follows:—

The clearances for Australia during the past month have been on a very small scale—twenty-nine only in number—of which six vessels were for New Zealand ports. The declared value of British exports is, therefore, relatively small, and amounts only to £652,408, showing the important decrease of £230,639 upon preceding month, which, with late entries to the extent of £40,000, amounted to £883,047. Notwithstanding the monthly decline, the transactions of the first nine months of the present year show a large increase upon those of a similar period in 1864, and are indeed fractionally above those of 1861, which hitherto claimed the highest total since 1853. Victoria.—The transactions of the past month have resulted in a decline of £118,934 upon its predecessor, of which about one-half may be put to the account of wrought leather, apparel, and season goods. Pig iron, galvanized iron, and tin plates are advanced upon last month, but all other metals are lower. Shipments of linseed and bulk olive oils continue active. Woolpacks have practically ceased, and other bags and canvas are about one-half our last quotations. Tobacco again shows an upward tendency; brandy and rum are, however, considerably lower, the decline being comparatively balanced by an increased export of red wine. Beer in bulk is a total blank, but to compensate our colonial friends for the want, we send a largely enhanced supply of the natural equivalents, malt and hops. Sydney.—The market maintains a more steady appearance, the relative totals being £212,238 against £238,116—a decline of £25,878. The heavy figures which were returned in our last circular under the various spirit headings have given way considerably on the present occasion; and in the item of British bulk spirit only do we show an increase. Tobacco, wines (both red and white), and bulk beer are also in lesser supply, the same remark likewise applying to cheese, bacon, and hams, and general provision goods. Queensland.—The month's operations have resulted in a slight increase, the relative figures being £30,501 against £26,274. Adelaide.—The decrease to this market is equally important with that quoted to Melbourne, and the gross values for the month are £52,882, against £145,638 in August-September, being a decline of £92,756. A considerable array of late entries came to hand per Seafield, of which a digest will be found under the line of "Previous exports" throughout the tables. These particulars were received just previous to the departure of the last Marseilles despatch, and were therefore included in our Supplement of the 26th ultimo. Tasmania.—We have only one clearance to report, the Fugitive, for Launceston. Her cargo is valued at £11,621—an increase of £2703 on preceding month. New Zealand.—Our returns for the month comprise a total of six vessels, of which one only is for Auckland, valued at £14,754, and two are for Otago, valued at £27,788. The gross exports to this colony show an increase of £7,223, the respective figures being £99,812, against £92,589. Our Rotterdam report quotes the cargo of the Hollands Trouw, for Melbourne, viz.:—12,575 red and 1450 green cases geneva, and 500 boxes candles. An advance of 1s. per red case is reported on the part of Geneva distillers. From Charente we learn the departure of the Bien Hoa, for Melbourne and Sydney, on the 26th ultimo, with 193 hogsheads 1104 quarters and 5635 cases brandy, 50 hogsheads and 726 cases wine; 25 cases champagne, 432 cases sardines, and a few sundries. The Eugene Adele has recently cleared from Havre, for Sydney, with a general cargo, including 200 tons flour. The Esther is the only ship now on the berth at Charente, and is named for the 10th December.

Under date 26th October, the same authority says:—

The clearances since the 6th instant have been fifteen in number, of which four are for Victoria, three each for Sydney and Queensland, two each for Adelaide and Otago, and one for Auckland. The whole of these vessels excepting the Royal Standard, find a place in the tables, but are necessarily only partially complete. The Royal Standard having cleared from Liverpool but very recently, her manifest is not yet prepared at the Customs. The Sussex has also cleared from London for Melbourne. A portion of her manifest, containing the bonded goods, came to hand whilst tables were at press, viz., tobacco, 2250 lb.; hops, 95 cwt.; brandy, 540 gallons; perfumed spirit, 93 gallons; red wine, 48 gallons; white wine, 1511 gallons. The cargo returned in the tables as per Chrysolite, from the Clyde, represents the Glasgow portion only, the official record of the Greenock clearance not yet being to hand. We believe, however, it consisted of 76 barrels beer, 780 gallons of rum, 23 loads sawn wood, 94 gallons British spirits, 49 tons galvanized iron, 150 cwt. paper, and about 800 cwt. gunpowder. A considerable array of late entries, per White Eagle, for Adelaide, will be found under the total line for that colony. A notice respecting them was sent to the various subscribers on the 20th instant. From Rotterdam, Messrs. Gerbaulet and Co. advise us that the Johanna Christina will be dispatched for Melbourne on the 10th proximo.

COMMERCIAL.

PRODUCE, STOCK, AND STATION CIRCULARS.

IRWIN AND TURNER.—Wool: The transactions of the week were limited to a few odd bales, buyers not being disposed to operate so soon after the departure of the mail; most of the lots were therefore withdrawn. Sheepskins: We offered some 6000, which were taken at full rates. Prices, if anything, were in favour of the seller; our sale was attended with the following result:—GNG, 1 bale at 7d; WJP, 1 lot at 6½d; R, 2 bales at 6¼d; Gunn, 1 ditto at 6¼d; Pikedale, 1 ditto at 7½d; A, 1 lot at 4½d; JI, 1 lot at 5½d; GM, 1 ditto, at 5½d; ditto, 2 bundles at 6¼d; LUE, 5 bales at 6¾d; R&W, 2 bundles at 4½d; WD, 1 ditto at 6¼d per lb. Tallow: Since the arrival of the mail there has been an advance in price of fully £4 per ton. 43 casks were disposed of thus: A, 1 cask at 40s 4½d; B, 1 at 40s 3d; CXY, 4 at 42s 3d; P, 6 at 42s; EC, 8 at 42s 3d; W, 6 at 42s 3d; R&F, 9 at 40s 6d; H, 2 at 40s 6d; BXO, 2 at 40s 10½d; T, 3 at 40s, per cwt. Hides: This market is dull, extra heavies are, however, in good demand at full quotations. We catalogued some 1012, the bulk of which were withdrawn for higher figures than buyers were disposed to give. Prices ruled as follows:—13 at 7s 3d, 169 at 13s, 151 at 13s per hide. Leather: 53 sides sole, at 7½d; 7 bundles kip, at 13¾d; 50 sides sole, at 7½d; 6 bundles kip, at 13¾d; 3 bundles ditto, at 15d per lb.—December 22nd.

THOMAS DAWSON.—Fat Cattle: Full supply in for Christmas week, and prices for first quality have been well maintained. Best pens of cattle have ruled from £7 to £9. For the next six weeks it is expected that prices will improve. Fat Sheep: Prime wethers are worth 14s to 15s; inferior, 10s to 11s. I have quitted a flock of James Chisholm's this week of very middling quality at 13s. Store Sheep and Cattle: Nothing can be done until the drought is known to be broken up. Horses: If good, and in fine condition, are in brisk demand at satisfactory prices.—December 22nd.

PITT AND SULLIVAN.—Fat Cattle: This market has been moderately supplied with medium quality, few, if any, really good offering. This market shows a decided improvement in prices for any really good lots, whereas middling and inferior show no advance. We have sold 300 head of first-class cattle for shipment, which brought very high prices, considering the present state of this market, but any really good command high rates, and we anticipate prices will rule high for some time for good quality. We quote bullocks, fit for the trade, worth from £8 10s to £7 10s. Our sales have been—135 head, Skewthorp's, at £2 16s; 109 ditto, Peacock's, at £3 5s; 182 ditto, Sloper Cox's, at £6 5s; 200 ditto, Hughes', at £8; 100 ditto, Hughes', at £7; 100, Dawson's, at £5 12s; 185, Lyons's, at £5 3s; 24, Mackenzie's, at £3 15s; 165, Hughes's, at £4 1s; 150, Hoskinson's, at £5 4s; 149, Fitzgerald's, at £3 13s—in all 1499 head. Fat Sheep: This market remains steady at last quotations, and any really good we find no difficulty in disposing of, at satisfactory prices. We have no sales to report. Store Sheep: We have many inquiries for this description of stock, and could place a few lots at prices satisfactory to the seller. We sold on account of H. J. Adams, Esq., 10,400, at 9s, deliverable at the Willow Tree, Liverpool Plains.—December 22nd.

BURT AND CO.—Fat Cattle: Market rather over stocked this week, which had a tendency to reduce the price of inferior stock, prime lots ranged at about last week's rates. Our sales for the week consisted of 405 head: bullocks rated from £4 14s to £6 16s, and cows from £4 12s to £7 10s for good qualities; inferior lots bullocks £2 10s to £4; cows £2 7s to £3 15s. Sheep: Market very full. We expect better demand the coming week.—December 22nd.

LEATHER.

W. DEAN.—There has been a fair supply of every description during the week; the demand has not been so brisk as usual, which is accounted for by the principal manufacturers taking annual stock. The prices obtained during the week were:—Sole, 8¼d to 9¼d; kip, 1s 2d to 1s 4½d; yearlings, 1s 7d to 1s 11d; calf, 2s 6d to 3s 9d; harness, 9½d to 11½d; bag, 9s to 11s 6d; strap, 9s to 10s 6d; bridle, 10s 6d to 11s 6d; basils, 7s to 12s; kangaroo 22s to 24s 6d; English calf, 3s 10d to 5s 8d; French 4s 3d to 4s 8d.—December 22nd.

SYDNEY MARKETS.

[Unless otherwise expressed, the prices quoted in this article are those in transactions between the producer and the first purchaser.]

Flour.—Fine (silk-dressed), £21; seconds, £20 per ton of 2000 lbs.

Bran, 1s 6d per bushel.

Biscuits.—Hardie and Mitchell (late Wilkie): Cabin 30s navy 24s per 100 lbs. Mr. Hamilton: Navy 24s, cabin 30s per 100 lbs.

Bread.—6d per 2-lb. loaf.

Butchers' Meat.—Beef 2½d to 3d, mutton 3d to 3½d, pork 6d to 5½d, veal 4d per lb.; lamb 4s 6d to 6s per quarter.

Poultry, Game, and Dairy Produce.—Fowls 2s 6d to 3s, ducks 3s 6d to 4s, wild ducks 2s to 2s 6d, teal 1s to 1s 3d, geese 7s to 8s, turkeys 10s to 20s, pigeons 1s 3d, rabbits 3s 6d to 5s per couple; roasting pigs 3s 6d to 4s 6d each; butter 1s 9d, cheese 8d to 10d, bacon and hams 8d to 9d, lard 7d to 8d per lb.; eggs 1s 4d to 1s 6d per dozen.

Vegetables.—New potatoes 7s to 9s, old potatoes 4s to 5s, onions 10s to 12s per cwt.; cabbages 3s to 10s, lettuces 1s to 1s 6d, pumpkins 6s to 12s, marrows 3s to 5s, cucumbers 2s to 3s per dozen; turnips 3s to 4s, carrots 2s to 3s, parsnips 3s to 4s, beetroot 3s to 6s, celery 6s to 12s, asparagus 8s to 12s, rhubarb 2s to 3s per dozen bunches; green peas 6s to 8s, French beans 2s to 2s 6d, broad beans 3s per bushel.

Fruit.—Oranges 1s to 1s 9d, lemons 1s to 1s 3d, pineapples 8s to 16s, bananas 9d to 1s 3d per dozen; apples 5s to 8s, pears 4s to 6s, peaches 10s to 20s, plumbs 20s to 25s, apricots 8s to 10s per case; mulberries 6d to 7d per quart.

Honey, 4d to 6d per lb.

Forage.—Straw 5s to 6s, grass hay 4s, lucerne 4s, pressed oaten 5s to 5s 6d, unpressed ditto 7s to 8s per cwt.; maize 5s, oats 4s 6d, barley 3s to 3s 6d per bushel; green food 1s per dozen bundles.

Bark—4s to 4s 6d per cwt.

HORSE MARKET.

BURT AND CO.—Horses: Several lots of young horses to hand this week, which sold at prices ranging from £3 to £15, according to quality. Good upstanding well-broken harness horses wanted, and would bring remunerative prices in the present state of the market.—December 22nd.

MR. CHARLES MARTYN reports: The arrivals of fresh stock this week were, much heavier than for some time past, and there was a tolerably ready sale for all except light and ill-conditioned stock. Two drafts were sold at the Camperdown Sale Yards, viz., 35 head unbroken horses (chiefly colts) from the Crookwell, belonging to Messrs. A. and W. Stephenson, at prices ranging up to £19 5s per head, and a draft belonging to Mr. C. A. Lindon, at prices ranging up to £7 10s.—December 22nd.

F. P. MEARES.—List of prices obtained during the past week, for live stock and produce, at the Railway Auction Produce Depot, George-street South, Sydney: Milch cows, £3 to £7; calves, 10s to 42s; lambs, 9s to 21s; pigs, 10s to 50s; roosters, 5s to 10s; turkeys, per pair, 8s to 35s; geese, ditto, 7s 3d to 10s 6d; ducks, ditto, 4s 6d to 6s; fowls, ditto, 2s 9d to 4s 6d; butter (roll), per lb., 16d to 21d; ditto (keg), ditto, 14d to 20d; eggs, per dozen, 12d to 17d; bacon, per lb., 10d to 13d; cheese, ditto, 8d to 13d; lard, ditto, 6d to 9d; potatoes, per cwt., 3s to 8s 6d; tallow, ditto, 33s to 37s; hides, each, 8s to 12s; sheepskins, per lb., 5d to 7½d; wool (in grease), ditto, 7d to 9½d; hay (oaten), per cwt., 5s to 8s; ditto (lucerne), ditto, 4s 6d to 5s 6d; straw, ditto 3s 6d to 5s 6d.—December 22nd.—ADV.

W. G. HENFREY reports the following prices obtained by him at auction during the week, viz.:—For oaten hay, 5s 6d to 8s 3d; wheat straw, 5s to 5s 9d; lucerne, 4s 3d to 5s.—December 22nd.—ADV.

W. H. MACKENZIE AND CO.—Sydney Prices Current of Farm Produce: Maize, 5s per bushel; hay (lucerne) £4 to £4 15s per ton, ditto oaten, £5 15s to £6 5s ditto; straw £4 10s to £5 15s ditto; cheese, 12d to 13½d per lb.; butter (roll) 19d to 22½d ditto, (keg) 18d to 21d ditto; eggs, 16d to 17½d per dozen; fowls, 3s to 3s 6d per pair; ducks, 4s to 6s ditto; geese, 7s 6d to 12s ditto; turkeys, 11s to 20s each; calves, 10s to 16s 6d each; lambs, 9s 6d each; pigs (suckers), 12s to 14s per pair; sheepskins, 6½d per lb.—December 22nd.—ADV.

RATES OF CARRIAGE.

MESSRS. GEORGE FOX and Co.'s rates of carriage per horse teams for Southern and Western Roads.

Western.	Southern.
Bathurst, £7 10s to £8 per ton	Goulburn, £5 to £5 10s per ton
Orange, £9 10s to £10	Yass, £8 to £8 10s
Mudgee, £10 to £10 10s	Young, £10 to £11
Sofala, £9 to £10	Gundagai, £12 to £13
Carcoar, £9 10s to £10	Tumut, £14 to £15
Wellington, £14	Adelong, £13 to £14
Forbes, £14 to £15	Wagga Wagga, £14
Tambaroora, £12	Cooma, £12 to £13.

Some bullock teams have been loaded this week at £10 to Tumut and Adelong; and some were loaded three months back, and not yet arrived in consequence of the drought.

BONDED STOCKS.

Week ending Friday, 22nd December, 1865.

Description.		Stock on hand 15th December.	Received into Stock.	Delivered for Home Consumption.	Delivered for Exportation.	Stock on hand 22nd December.
Rum—West India	gals.	178,477	18,137	4,084	1,698	[illegible]
East India		349	...	...	...	349
Foreign		4,077	...	...	...	4,077
All other Spirits		5,985	145	148	...	[illegible]
Brandy		285,240	5,813	3,796	6,229	[illegible]
Geneva		192,632	...	1,368	1,613	[illegible]
Whisky		22,173	2,302	351	254	[illegible]
Liqueurs		8,904	773	20	235	9,422
Gin		8,796	883	149	35	9,495
Wine		210,478	1,220	1,914	5,386	[illegible]
Tobacco—	lbs.					
Manufactured		1,040,894	10,659	5,472	10,491	[illegible]
Leaf		62,472	3,958	2,790	2,298	[illegible]
Cigars		38,496	223	549	1,397	36,773
Snuff		4,510	...	...	...	4,510

Sugar.—Stock on hand 15th December, 132 tons 9 cwt.; received into stock, 548 tons 17 cwt. 3qrs.; delivered for home consumption, 625 tons 16 cwt.; delivered for exportation, 22 tons 6 cwt. 2 qrs.; stock on hand 22nd December, 33 tons 4 cwt. 1 qr.

Coffee.—Stock on hand 15th December, 41 tons 1 cwt. 2 qrs.; received into stock, nil; delivered for home consumption, 4 tons 13 cwt. 3 qrs.; delivered for exportation, 10 cwt.; stock on hand 22nd December, 35 tons 17 cwt. 3 qrs.

Tea.—Stock on hand 15th December, 163,498 lbs.; received into stock, 250,106 lbs.; delivered for home consumption, 405,351 lbs.; delivered for exportation, 4,779 lbs.; stock on hand 22nd December, 3474 lbs.

Chicory.—Stock on hand 15th December, 114,015 lbs.; received into stock, nil; delivered for home consumption, nil; delivered for exportation, 2240 lbs.; stock on hand 22nd December, 111,775 lbs.

Opium.—Stock on hand 15th December, 4863 lbs.; received into stock, 1816 lbs.; delivered for home consumption, nil; delivered for exportation, nil; stock on hand 22nd December, 6679 lbs.

THE CHOLERA.

ON Monday, the 25th of September, a deputation from the Council of the Epidemiological Society had an interview with the Lord President of the Council in order to present to him a memorial on the subject of epidemic cholera, and its apprehended visitation to this country. The society, which was founded immediately on the cessation of the epidemic of cholera in 1849, has carefully studied the subsequent advent and ravages of the disease in England, and its prevalence and progress abroad. In the memorial the members urge upon the attention of the Privy Council certain deductions they have been able to glean from their experience, and they suggest preventive measures. The principal points of the document may be summarised as follows:—The experience of the visitations in 1832, 1848, and 1853 appear to show conclusively that no reliance whatever can safely be placed upon quarantine to keep off or avert the pestilence. Sanitary precautions within a place are far more important than sanitary cordons without. Nevertheless the council of the society strongly urge that the interests of public health require that an efficient sanitary supervision should be exercised in all the chief sea and river port towns. In the successive visitations of cholera to this country the disease has always manifested itself first on or near the sea coast, and in some large, busy port. Thus in 1831 Sunderland and Newcastle were first attacked during September; in 1848 the disease appeared about the end of September at nearly the same time in Hull, Sunderland, Edinburgh, and London; in 1853 it commenced in September, too, at Newcastle. Besides the marked tendency in epidemic cholera to commence on or near to the coast, the seaport towns suffer with exceptional severity. The damp, low sites of the worst parts of these towns, always in the vicinity of their harbours and docks, together with the filthy and crowded dwellings to which seamen generally resort, and their recklessly intemperate habits, cannot fail to aggravate other sanitary evils, and greatly to increase the predisposition of a maritime population to epidemic influences. The unfavourable state of health among the crews of the merchant ships upon their arrival renders them peculiarly susceptible of a poisonous atmosphere in the port. In the case of river ports becoming infected, the disease, from its tendency to follow the line of water communication, has often been observed to make its way thence upwards into the interior of the country. In view of such considerations the Council submit that it is desirable a "sanitary inspection should be made of the principal seaport towns to ascertain their actual condition, more especially, of their harbours, docks, shipping, dwellings for seamen, &c., and with the view of discovering what provisions or arrangements exist for the reception and treatment of cases of sickness in ships upon their arrival from abroad, in the event of the cholera making its appearance in the port."—*European Times.*

It appears, from official statistics relating to French railways, that the viaducts over which they run, taken altogether, are more than seven leagues in length. One of the most remarkable of these viaducts is that of Val-Fleury, near Meudon, built in 1840. It is 140 yards long, thirty-one yards high, and cost 600,000 francs. The viaduct of Chaumont, on the Strasburg line, is the first in point of expense, as it cost 5,800,878 francs.

In Prussia, the transformation of the artillery is at the point of being terminated. A letter from Berlin states that, by the new organisation, the army on a peace footing will have 108 foot batteries and 27 mounted, with 640 guns harnessed. In case of a mobilisation the number can be considerably augmented.

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NOTES OF THE WEEK.

FROM THE 20TH DECEMBER TO THE 22ND DECEMBER.
THE Government submitted a resolution to the Legislative Assembly, on the evening of the 20th instant, for the imposition of an ad valorem duty of five per cent., but with the understanding that it was imposed only as a temporary measure of taxation. From this source it was anticipated that there would be realised £177,995. The proposal was adopted by the House, Mr. Cowper promised to do what he could by way of retrenchment, and considered it not impracticable that a saving of £100,000 might be effected by the Government in its annual expenditure. The House afterwards went into Supply and authorised the payment, out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, of £208,897 14s. 9d., for the service of the ensuing months of January and February—being £20,000 less than the rate of expenditure sanctioned for the same period last year.

The examination of the children attending the Wesleyan Day-school, at Newtown, usually held prior to the Christmas holidays, took place on Wednesday last. There was a numerous attendance of visitors, who manifested great interest in the proceedings.

A teetotal meeting was held last Wednesday night, at the Temperance Hall, Pitt-street, in connection with the New South Wales Alliance for the Suppression of Intemperance, and for the Social, Moral, and Intellectual Elevation of the People.

Wages on the Tumut for reapers have ranged, during the last ten days, from 15s. to £1 an acre.

Mr. John Johnson, a probationer, labouring for some time past in the district of Braidwood, was ordained a Presbyterian minister, at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, on the evening of the 20th instant.

A public meeting in furtherance of the objects of the Australian Wesleyan Missionary Society was held, on Wednesday night, in the Wesleyan Church, Dowling-street, Woolloomooloo.

A man named Killbrick died suddenly in Meehan-street, Yass, on Wednesday last.

On Wednesday evening, the Newtown Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association gave an entertainment of a musical and literary character in the Wesleyan school-room, in that locality.

The annual meeting of the members of No. 1 Company Volunteer Rifles was held, at the Volunteer Brigade Office, on the evening of Tuesday last; Captain Raymond in the chair. A report of the proceedings of the Company for the past year was read and adopted.

The Queen of Spain has signified her intention of presenting a golden chalice, wrought in jewels, to the Roman Catholic Cathedral, about to be rebuilt in this city.

A disastrous fire occurred in King-street, on Thursday evening last, resulting in the destruction of the Australian Furniture Warehouse, the property of Messrs. John Hill and Company. The building, which was about eighty feet in length, sixty feet high, and extended backwards for a distance of nearly seventy feet, has been completely destroyed, all that now remains being the exterior walls. The value of the stock and building has been estimated at £20,000, —£19,000 of which has been covered by assurance policies in Sydney, Victorian, and British assurance companies.

LEASES OF TOLLS ON THE MAIN ROADS.

Name of Bar or Ferry.	Amount leased for 1865.	Estimated amount for 1866.	Amount leased for 1866.
Annandale	£2800 0 0	£2500	£2770
Pitt Row	271 0 0	250	451
Beckett's Bridge	250 0 0	300	477
Hebersham	200 0 0	200	360
Emu Ferry	1387 0 0	850	1565
17-Mile Hollow	1100 0 0	700	1171
Weatherboard	628 0 0	600	1161
Broughton's	700 0 0	700	1160
Bowenfels	560 0 0	560	856
Meadow Flat	464 16 6	450	500
Greenswamp	551 0 0	450	610
Kelso	495 18 6	450	556
Rocks	261 0 0	200	200
Orange	300 0 0	300	470
Wellington Ferry	30 0 0	30	90
Morpeth	446 0 0	300	420
Campbell's Hill	1023 0 0	800	1136
Black Creek	417 0 0	250	251
Camberwell	940 0 0	700	900
Appletree Flat	752 0 0	600	821
Sandy Creek	871 0 0	700	707
Scone	600 0 0	600	868
Highland Home	601 0 0	500	748
Blandford	600 0 0	500	752
Willow Tree	520 0 0	400	584
Singleton Ferry	50 0 0	10	31
Lansdowne	282 0 0	200	200
Narellan	372 0 0	300	351
Picton	656 0 0	650	650
Bargo	650 0 0	650	650
Hanging Rock	549 2 0	550	552
Wingello	547 3 0	500	525
Towrang	630 0 0	600	600
Collegdor	250 0 0	300	371
Collarin	200 0 0	200	200
Jugiong	100 0 0	100	200
Albury	705 0 0	600	600
Gundagai Ferry	40 0 0	40	40
	£21,000 0 0	£18,590	£21,560

A STEEL SHIP IN A CYCLONE.

(From the Liverpool Albion, October 16.)

IT has been said with truth that one fact is worth many theories, and therefore it may be interesting to know what was the behaviour of a steel ship under trying circumstances, particularly as the homogeneous qualities of the steel plates used in shipbuilding have been called in question. On Thursday the clipper ship Clytemnestra, Captain Stewart, belonging to Messrs. Jones, Palmer, and Co., arrived in the Mersey, with a large cargo of jute, &c., after weathering the disastrous Calcutta cyclone. She is a steel built vessel, three-eighth inch plates, of 1250 tons register, launched by Messrs. Jones, Quiggin, and Co., now the Liverpool Ship-building Company, in April, 1864, and next month left on her first voyage for Calcutta. At the time of the cyclone she was lying in the river at Calcutta, and encountered the full force of the storm. The following brief account of the hurricane is from the pen of the chief mate:—"The morning of October 5, 1864, commenced with strong winds and thick drizzling rain. 8 a.m., bad gale and tremendous squalls, with thick constant rain. From 8 a.m., until noon gale rapidly increasing and barometer falling fast, with very threatening appearance. 2 a.m., tremendous gale and most terrific squalls, with thick rain and dismal appearance. The ships attached to the same moorings below us began to break adrift, with sails blown from the yards and topgallant masts gone. 3.30 p.m., hurricane at his height, blowing so terrifically hard that it was impossible to stand on deck without holding on. At this time our inshore bower chain parted, our sails were all blown from the yards, and the topgallant mast went with the foretopmast. When the bower chain parted we swang out stem on to the gale, and held on for a few minutes, when in a tremendous burst of wind our stern chain parted, and away we drove across the river, before wind and tide, at a frightful rate, smashing into several ships on our way. Finally, we were brought to a standstill on the opposite side of the river, and became a target for the one-half of the ships in Calcutta. One wooden ship driving up struck upon our starboard quarter, walking right through the upper part of our stem, and raising the poop deck. Three or four ships were constantly pitching into our main rigging, being all fast together, and smashing and tearing away at everything thence forward. At 4.30 p.m., two iron ships and one wooden one drove right into us abaft the fore-rigging, carrying away chain plates and rails. One of their bowsprits struck the foremast, and with a fearful crash, the foremast fell over the port side, almost burying a small vessel that was fast to us. The rigging of the foremast was totally gone. Some time before the mast went, it broke 'tween-decks, tearing up the main-deck, and breaking two beams. 5.30 p.m., wind abating very fast, and barometer rising, with fine weather. Ship lying almost a helpless wreck." Captain Stewart calculates that at one time or other during the cyclone, at least 20 vessels ran into them. The toughness of the plates was something astonishing. At one point abaft the fore-rigging the Clytemnestra was struck at the sheer streak, with terrific force by an iron vessel, the Glen Roy, of over 1000 tons burden. The only effect was a comparatively slight dent in one of the plates, and not the slightest approach to a fracture stem on. More forward, the continual hammering of several large vessels had beaten the bulwarks level with the deck, which led to the fall of the foremast, by the removal of its supports. The plates forming the bulwarks were, however, so tenacious that they were prized back to their original position, and made to do duty again without the aid of the rivetter. In another part of the bulwarks a plate has been partially knocked out, and, catching against the side of the other vessel, had been rolled up as perfectly as a sheet of paper could be. In the stern between the upper deck and the poop, several plates had been driven in by repeated blows from a heavy wooden ship; but here the splendid quality of the metal composing the plates was admirably proved. They and the angles were twisted into a hundred fantastic forms, in some cases doubled and redoubled, but in no case was there a crack or fracture that indicated any brittleness in the metal. Notwithstanding all the hard usage she received, the Clytemnestra did not make one drop of water, and afterwards made a voyage to the Mauritius, back to Calcutta, and thence home, with no further repairs to her hull than the ship's carpenter was able to effect. This wonderful strength is in itself sufficient recommendation; but when we find steel vessels possessing one third greater carrying capacity and a considerably less draught of water their advantages are self-apparent. If the Clytemnestra had been an iron ship, her increased draught of water would not have permitted her to get into dock until to-day. She is now lying on the north side of the Stanley Dock, and is well deserving of a visit.

A ROMAN TRIBUTE TO ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

(From the Daily Alta California, October 15.)

ADDRESS OF THE ROMAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO PRESIDENT JOHNSON.

THE following address has been sent from Italy to President Johnson, by the Roman National Committee, accompanied by a memorial stone from the wall of Servius Tullius, appropriately inscribed:—

"Honoured President: All Europe was struck with a sorrow and indignation almost as great as that of America itself, at the sad news of the death of Abraham Lincoln, and gave some expression of its grief in messages of condolence to the Federal Government. Italy united her voice with those of the other nations, but the Romans alone, still separated from the great Italian family, have not had in the theocratic *regime* which now governs them the interpreter of the sorrow they have felt in learning of that horrible misdeed.

"They therefore hope to be able to express to the American people at once the admiration they have for Abraham Lincoln, and the sorrow which affects them at his death, by sending to them a fragment from the wall of Servius Tullius, on which they have caused to be engraved the following inscription:—

Abrahamo Lincolnio,
Region. Federat. Americ. Presidi I7
Hunc Ex Servj Tullj Aggere Lapidem
Quo Utriusque
Libertatis Adsertatoris Fortiss.
Memoria Conjungatur
Civis Romani
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"Servius Tullius resembled, in many respects, the great citizen whom America has lately lost. The king admitted the plebeians to the citizenship, divided among them the lands of the nation conquered, favoured the poletarians, instituted the census, facilitated the acquisition of liberty by the serfs, and made the freedmen citizens. He gave, in short, organisation and unity to the Roman people, and to arrive at that end had to struggle against the ambition of the patricians, who considered as their loss the common gain. As Servius then deserves to be called the second founder of Rome, since by changing the order of things he so established them that they became the foundation for its after greatness, so, in our opinion, Abraham Lincoln seems worthy to be recognised as the second founder of the greatness and liberty of America, since, while the first organisation of the federation left open the trap of slavery which, in time, would have injured and destroyed, perhaps, the bond of union, the lamented President aimed to abolish it and hold firmly together the members of the nation. To that end he maintained a long and bloody war, through which the American people had the wisdom to endure all fatigues and brave the greatest dangers, inspired by that heroic virtue which is the only bond amongst free people.

"Abraham Lincoln fell by the hand of an assassin, and fell for having determined to abolish slavery and maintain the unity of America; Servius Tullius was the victim of a parricide, a crime rendered practicable by the assistance of those patricians who wished the people oppressed and slavery perpetuated. It seems, therefore, to the Roman people that on a stone of the wall of Servius Tullius, venerated relic of one of the most ancient monuments of the Eternal City, it would be fitting to hand down to posterity the name of Abraham Lincoln, linked to that of the sixth king of Rome, each in his hemisphere having worked for the wellbeing committed to his care, and to restore the slave to the dignity of manhood.

"The Romans have never forgotten the words of sympathy and cheer which America, seventeen years ago, sent out to the present Pontiff when he seemed willing to open an era of liberty and progress for Italy. Vain illusion! The Romans still hope for that liberty which the Americans so largely enjoy. You have fought and conquered—we struggling, still suffer. May this antique stone be the token of the perpetuity of your liberty and the attainment of ours.

"Receive, honoured President, the sentiments of that homage which is offered you by the faithful interpreter of the people of Rome.

"THE ROMAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE."
"Rome, June 22, 1865.

"To his Excellency the President of the United States of America."

A private letter says:—"The stone is about three hundred pounds weight; and if the President is restrained by any diplomatic scruple from accepting it, it may with perfect propriety be accepted by some monument association, as a corner-stone, and it is probable that every patriotic and democratic association in Europe would send a block to be put beside it in commemoration of Mr. Lincoln. The block has been shipped from Leghorn to New York."

THE FREEDMEN'S CAMPS BROKEN UP.—The Nashville correspondent of the Cincinnati *Commercial* writes as follows—"Near Pulaski resides one Thomas J. Brown, son-in-law of the rebel General Pillow. Brown was the rebel conscription officer for Giles and other adjacent counties, and he forced into the rebel ranks large numbers of Union men. Those who survived the bloody fields over which they passed swear vengeance against him, and threaten his life upon his return. I understand he is pardoned, and certainly he is a most unworthy object of Executive clemency. His landed estate was occupied by loyal coloured people, who had been driven from their abodes by outlaws. But the pardon restores to him his estate of fifteen hundred acres, upon which the negroes have, under charge of the Freedman's Bureau, several hundred acres of corn and cotton. Freedman's camps will be broken up everywhere. General Fisk is arranging now to send away from Nashville over five thousand negroes. There were in camps in Tennessee, July 1st, 7151, now only 979, chiefly infirm and aged, and orphans of deceased coloured soldiers. The same date, the refugees of Nashville and Memphis numbered 6000—now only 11.

MISSOURI BAPTISTS REFUSING THE OATH.—The thirteenth annual meeting of the General Association of Missouri Baptists was held in Booneville on the 19th and 21st August. About fifty members were present, and agreed to decline taking the oath required from ministers and teachers by the new Constitution. The reasons for this action are set forth in a long document:—1st. That the oath is in conflict with the Constitution of the United States, as interfering with the freedom of worshipping God, as *ex post facto* in its operations, and as making every minister who refuses to take it become a witness against himself. 2nd. The oath is unjust and unequal in its operations. 3rd. It proposes to punish ministers for what is really no crime against any human law. 4th. To take the oath is to acknowledge an authority in the State that does not belong to it, and that human authority is above divine.

RESTORATION OF CIVIL POWER.—The Charleston (S.C.) papers, of Tuesday, announce a satisfactory interview at Columbia between Generals Meade and Gilmore and Governor Perry. The interview resulted in the partial restoration of civil power throughout the State by the full and complete establishment of the civil Courts for the trial of all cases except those of persons of colour. The latter are to continue for the present under the cognisance of Provost Marshals' Courts. The civil Courts are to be opened under the direction of the Governor, and civil and municipal officers are to be permitted to resume their official duties and discharge them without interruption. General Meade expressed himself well pleased with the condition of affairs in South Carolina.

A CONSERVATIVE FAMILY.—A correspondent, writing from Rockport, after alluding to the ancient building known as the "Garrison House," with its legends of witches and Indians, says: "The Nutford family, consisting of a brother and sister, have, for seventy years, resided on and never left Cape Ann. They have never seen railroad cars, although the whistle of the locomotive can almost be heard at their door. They are intelligent, and have many visitors during the summer. Undoubtedly (the writer adds), they have enjoyed life better than many who enter the busy cares of the world. They are true conservatives, of the strictest school."—*Boston Transcript.*

They have found the tusk of an elephant embedded deep in the soil at Brattleboro', Vermont. It belonged, the *Record* says, to a species of elephant long since extinct, supposed to be the *Elephas Primogenius* (or mammoth) *Blumenbach*, that inhabited the northern parts of North America, having wandered across the Siberian plains to the Arctic Ocean and Behring Straits and beyond to this country south to about the parallel of 40 degrees. Their bones show them to have been about twice the weight and one-third taller than our modern species.

The tunnels of all the railways in France are 365 in number, and would, if combined, measure 377 leagues in length. The longest tunnel is that of the North, near Marseilles, on the Lyons Railway, which cost 10,000,000 francs; that of Blaisley, on the same line, 8,000,000 francs; and that of the Credo, between Lyons and Geneva, 6,500,000 francs. The entire cost of the bridges, viaducts, and tunnels, on the various French railways amounts to 422,681,953 francs.

A FINE LITTLE TIGER.—A very grand lady one day desired a new footman to send some one with a message. "Your boy's come back, ma'am," announced the footman, after the lapse of an hour or two. "You should not say 'your boy,' James," said his mistress; "you should say our 'tiger.'" A couple of days afterwards she had occasion to send James himself to inquire after a lady friend, who was expecting a certain interesting event. "Well, what answer did you get?" she asked. "Oh! it's all right, ma'am. The doctor says it's a fine little tiger."

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.
GREAT SOUTHERN and WESTERN RAILWAYS, December 26th and 27th, 1865.

PARRAMATTA RACES.
Trains will leave Sydney for Parramatta as under, viz:—

Leave Sydney at	Returning from Parramatta at
6 45 a.m.	11.15 a.m.
9.0 a.m.	3.0 p.m.
10.15 a.m.	*5 0 p.m.
*11 30 a.m.	5 28 p.m.
2 0 p.m.	*8.0 p.m.

Trains marked thus * are Special Trains, and will call at all intermediate stations.
Fares to Parramatta and back.
1st Class, 3s 6d .. 2nd Class, 2s.
JOHN RAE, Commissioner for Railways.
Department of Public Works, Railway Branch, Sydney, 19th December, 1865.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.
GREAT SOUTHERN, WESTERN, and RICHMOND LINES.
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.
EXCURSION TICKETS at a single fare for the double journey, will be issued from all stations to all stations, on the 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, and 27th December, available for return until the 27th instant.
JOHN RAE, Commissioner for Railways.
Department of Public Works, Railway Branch, Sydney, 19th December, 1865.

G. S. AND W. RAILWAYS.—PITT-STREET TRAMWAY TIME TABLE.—On and after FRIDAY, September 1st, Cars will leave Redfern Station and the Circular Quay as under, stopping at all streets crossing Pitt-street, except from Goulburn-street to the Station.
Fares .... 3d.

Leave Circular Quay.		Leave Redfern Station.	
No. 1 at	* 6.25 a.m.	No. 1 at	5.50 a.m.
2	* 8.25	2	8.0
3	9.5	3	8.45
4	* 9.50	4	9.25
5	* 11.35	5	9.35
6	1.0 p.m.	6	11.15
7	* 1.35	7	12.5
8	2.15	8	1.15 p.m.
9	3.10	9	2.0
10	* 4.5	10	2.50
11	* 4.35	11	3.47
12	* 5.5	12	4.50
13	5.50	13	5.25
14	* 6.5	14	6.20
15	6.50	15	6.30
16	* 7.10		

The Car which leaves Redfern at 9.35 a.m., will be in time for the Manly Beach and Watson's Bay steamers. Cars will also be in attendance at the Circular Quay on the arrival of the steamers at 6 p.m. in time for the 6 30 o'clock train.
No. 6, on Saturdays, from Circular Quay, leaves 1.5 p.m.
No. 9, on Saturday, p.m., leaves Redfern at 2.36.
P.S.—Intending passengers are requested to be at the Stopping Stations punctually to time.
SUNDAYS.

Leave Circular Quay.	Leave Redfern Station.
No. 1, at * 8.35 a.m.	No. 1, at * 8.15 a.m.
No. 2, at 10.45	No. 2, at *10.30
No. 3, at * 1.45 p.m.	No. 3, at * 1.25 p.m.

And leave Redfern Station at 2.5 p.m., in time for Manly Beach and Watson's Bay steamers, and every alternate half-hour until 8 p.m.
Those marked * run in connection with the trains.
Fares after 8 o'clock, 6d. each.
JOHN WOODS.
Tramway tickets to be had of the conductor, J. DWYER, from 1s to 20s.

CHRISTMAS DAY, BOXING DAY, NEW YEAR'S DAY, and all other days except Sundays.
ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS AND PIC-NIC GROUNDS adjoining, on the Sydney side, the Sir Joseph Banks Hotel, Botany.
These well-kept gardens and grounds are universally esteemed the most delightful in the vicinity of the city, and are particularly admirable as possessing in a pre-eminent degree that combination of scene and circumstance, together with grassy slopes, turfed walks, shady bowers,—"the moss-bordered streamlet and balm-breathing gale,"—which constitute a pic-nic the most enjoyable of all recreations.
Visitors will receive the most respectful attention.
Charge for admission—Adults, 1s; children, 6d.
THOMAS CORREY, Lessee.

TO PICNIC PARTIES and others, the Beach, Gardens, and Grounds, around Bunnerong House, Botany Bay, are well adapted for the above. All visitors are cautioned not to make fires in the bush, to prevent accidents. Hot water will be supplied gratis at the Hotel.

ALBERT CRICKET CLUB.—BOXING DAY.—Second Eleven v. Richmond.—The following members of the Albert Club are requested to meet at the Railway Station, on TUESDAY MORNING next, at half-past 8 o'clock, to proceed to Richmond:—Aldis, Coates, Leeton, Love, Maher, Meares, Phillips, Rowley, Stack, Thompson, and Walker, with Cohen, emergency.
J. J. CALVERT, Hon. Sec.

ORWELL 2nd Eleven v. WARWICK 3rd Eleven Cricket Clubs.—Players to meet at Glenmore 2 o'clock.

WARWICK CRICKET CLUB.—2nd ELEVEN v. ORWELL 2nd ELEVEN.—The following members are requested to meet at Mr. M'Mahon's, THIS DAY, at half-past one:—Allan, Bedford, Buyers, S. Black, S. Freeman, Fleming, Lamb, Mayers, Leverge, Mulhall, Wilson, and Sellars. W. CLARK, hon. sec.

FOUND; a Bunch of KEYS. Apply to Mr. F. WILLIAMS, HERALD Office.

LOST, pair Elastic-side Boot TOPS, in George-street. The finder will be rewarded by leaving them at 36, Kent-street.

LOST, an open-faced Geneva WATCH; Stauffer, maker, No. 15179. Liberal reward, if returned to Mr. FLAVELLE, Watchmaker, George-street.

LOST, a small black and tan Terrier DOG; answers to the name of Dunn. Whoever will deliver him at 40, Surry-street, will be rewarded.

£1 REWARD.—LOST, on FRIDAY Evening, between M'Crea's, draper, and Goulburn-street, a PURSE containing two £1 notes, one half-sovereign, a gold locket, and some silver. The finder will receive the above reward by leaving it at Mr. JOHN BARLOW'S, 758, George-street.

£1 REWARD.—STRAYED, a Dark Brown COB, branded GO on near shoulder, G on off shoulder. The above reward will be paid on delivery to W. P. BOINS, Grocer, 194, Crown-street, Woolloomooloo.

£1 REWARD.—LOST, last week, a POCKET-BOOK, made of Indian grass, containing papers of no use only to the owner. The above reward paid on returning it to Mr. Booker, butcher, 36, Essex-street.

£2 WILL BE PAID for the recovery of a POINTER DOG, lost from the Sydney Terminus about twelve months ago. Description—Medium size, liver colour, with white toes, white nearly half-way up right leg, white on breast and belly.

£2 REWARD.—Lost, on Thursday, at the Ranges, North Shore, POCKET-BOOK, containing about £18 and various papers, only of use to the owner. The finder will receive the above reward from Mrs. HUGHES, Berry-street, North Shore.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS, &c.—Mr. FREDERICK HUNT being no longer in our employment, is not authorised to receive advertisements or transact any business on our behalf from this date.
GORDON and GOTCH.
281, George-street, December 20.

NOTICE.—I hereby caution any person from purchasing a HOUSE from MARGARET FARNHAM, situated at No. 12, Henrietta-street, Chippendale.
HENRY FARNHAM.

WE HAVE this day sold to Mr. EDWIN RICE the whole of the debts in the estate of the late Robert Jones.
HORACE WOOLNOUGH, and L. S. SPYER, by his attorney (JOSEPH SPYER), Trustees in the Estate.
Sydney, December 16th, 1865.

I beg to notify that all debts unpaid in the above estate at the end of the year 1865 will be handed to my solicitor for recovery.
EDWIN RICE, 308, George-street.

AUSTRALIAN SUBSCRIPTION LIBRARY.—Mr. ELLIOTT begs to inform the Subscribers to the Library that it is not his intention to carry it on after the close of the present year. All persons having claims on Mr. Elliott for unexpired term of subscription or otherwise, are requested to apply at the Library at once, and the amount will be paid; and all persons indebted to Mr. Elliott are requested to pay the same without delay. Subscribers will please to return their books on or before SATURDAY, the 23rd December; after that date no books will be issued.
Library, Bent-street, 23rd November, 1865.

IN INSOLVENCY.—Accounts, with dividends, in the undermentioned estates are filed in the Registrar's Office, at the Insolvent Court, in King-street, and will be confirmed by the Court, on FRIDAY, the 5th day of January, 1866, if no caveats are filed before that date.
ROBERT HAMILTON SEMPILL, Official Assignee.

In the estate of JOSEPH SUTTON, a first dividend of 10s 3½d. in the £, on preferent proofs.
In the estate of ANNA M. WEBSTER, a first dividend of 20s. in the £, on preferent proofs, and 9s. 4½d. on concurrent proofs.
In the estate of EDWARD LOTZE, a second dividend of 8s 2 7-32d. in the £, on concurrent proofs.
In the estate of CHARLES B. BLACK, a first dividend of 3s. 3 11-16d. in the £, on concurrent proofs.
In the estate of ANDREW ROWAN, a first dividend of 2s 5-16d. in the £, on concurrent proofs.
In the estate of THOMAS ABBOTT, a first dividend of 10 27-32d. in the £, on concurrent proofs.
In the estate of JAMES SINGER, a first dividend of 6s. 1 11-16d. in the £ on concurrent proofs.
In the estate of JAMES B. RIDGE, a first dividend of 6s 3 9-16d. in the £, on concurrent proofs.
In the estate of HENRY NIXON, a first dividend of 4s. in the £, on concurrent proofs.
In the estate of JOHN R. LAWRENCE, a first dividend of 3s. 2d. in the £, on concurrent proofs.
In the estate of GEORGE L. CARTER, an equalising dividend of 4s 6½d. in the £, on concurrent proofs.

IT IS REQUESTED that all ACCOUNTS against the late DANIEL JAMES WOODRIFF, Esq., of Parramatta, be sent in at once to Messrs. DAINTREY and CHAPMAN, No. 101, Elizabeth-street North.

NOTICE.—PEATE and HARCOURT beg to inform their customers, that on MONDAY and TUESDAY next, being general Holidays, their business will be CLOSED. 258 and 260, George-street.

THE business of the undersigned will be CLOSED on MONDAY and TUESDAY next, being general Holidays.
HARRISON and ATTWOOD.
231, George-street.

No. 65-92. Town Clerk's Office, Sydney, 21st December, 1865.
GEORGE-STREET MARKETS.—NOTICE is hereby given, that for the convenience of the PUBLIC, the George-street Markets will be open on CHRISTMAS MORNING until 10 o'clock.
CHARLES H. WOOLCOTT, Town Clerk.

CHRISTMAS POULTRY.—The undersigned POULTERERS beg to announce that, in consequence of Christmas Day occurring on a Monday, they will be compelled to supply their respective customers on SATURDAY, 23rd December, for which day they respectfully solicit the favours of their patrons.
J. MORTIMER
W. H. IRELAND
W. SOUTH
J. and T. SCOTT
W. and S. KIPPAX.

GEORGE-STREET MARKETS.—The undersigned Poulterers beg to state that the Markets will not be open, for the sale of Poultry, &c., &c, to the Public, on Christmas Morning.
W. and S. KIPPAX.
J. MORTIMER.
W. H. IRELAND.
W. SOUTH.
J. and T. SCOTT.

NOTICE. NOTICE. NOTICE.—For the convenience of the public, FRESH-KILLED POULTRY can be obtained until 10 o'clock on Monday (Christmas Day), from J. BELLENGER, 144, William-street, corner of Brougham-street.

TATTERSALL'S HOTEL.
To Private Families and Picnic Parties.
Assorted WINES and SPIRITS in dozen cases.
1 bottle champagne
1 ditto Deinhard and Jordan's marcobrum still hock
1 ditto old Madeira
1 ditto brown sherry
1 ditto Amontillado sherry
1 ditto old port
1 ditto superior claret
1 ditto curaçoa
1 ditto Hennessy's Battle-axe brandy, dark
1 ditto ditto ditto, pale
1 ditto Deinhard and Jordan's, green label, still hock
1 ditto ditto No. 2 moselle
1 ditto real Jamaica rum,
at 74s. per dozen case.

The following in dozen cases:—
Champagne, per case, 80s.
Deinhard and Jordan's marcobrum still hock, ditto, 90s.
Ditto, green label, ditto, ditto, 60s.
Ditto ditto No. 2 sparkling moselle, ditto, 60s.
Splendid old Madeira, ditto, 90s.
Brown sherry, ditto, 80s.
Amontillado, ditto, 70s.
Superior claret, ditto, 60s.
Old port wine, ditto, 70s.
Hennessy's Battle-axe dark brandy, ditto, 70s.
Ditto ditto pale ditto, ditto, 60s.
Curaçoa, ditto, 80s.
Fine flavoured fruited sherry, ditto, 60s.
Real Jamaica rum, ditto, 50s.
More or less supplied according to orders.

CHRISTMAS. CHRISTMAS. CHRISTMAS.—THE CHEAPEST HOUSE IN SYDNEY. GRAFTON SPIRIT STORE.
J. P. LENNARTZ invites the attention of his friends and customers and the public generally, to his extensive and varied stock of Wines, Spirits, and Bottled Ales and Stout, &c., embracing some of the finest wines and spirits ever imported, and is quoted at such prices that will defy competition.
Private families supplied, viz., a single bottle at wholesale prices, and a single dozen sent home to any part of the city free of charge.
N.B.—Note the address, LENNARTZ'S Grafton Spirit Store, 488, 490, 492, George-street, opposite the Markets.

CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES.—On SALE at the stores of the undersigned at the lowest possible rates, and of guaranteed quality:—
BRANDY, Battle-axe, pale and dark, with other best brands, from 50s. per dozen.
RUM, finest old West India, 15s. and 17s. 6d. per gallon.
GIN, best brands, 42s. 6d. and 45s. per case
WHISKY, finest Scotch matured, in sherry casks, 15s. and 17s. 6d. per gallon.
IRISH, a few cases, 3 years in the colony, very mild, prime samples, 40s. per dozen.
PORT.—Hunt's fine wine, from 12s. 6d. per gallon.
Offley's fruity, 30s., 36s., 42s.
Ditto very old, 50s.
SHERRY.—Ponce de Leon, Amontillado, 42s.
Gonzalez and Dubosc's fruity, 36s.
Ditto ditto Amontillado, 42s.
Garvey's and other fine wines.
Gonzalez double crown, a few dozen, very superior.
ALE and PORTER from 11s. per dozen.
Delivery free, daily, within three miles of Post Office.
J. B. NORTH, Wynyard-street, next Bank New South Wales.

AUSTRALIAN SAUTERNE, 1861 vintage, which is so generally esteemed, now on SALE, at the low price of 12s pints, 20s quarts. J. B. NORTH, Wynyard-street.

AUSTRALIAN PONTAC, a most delicious sweet wine, approved by all, 12s pints, 20s quarts. J. B. NORTH, next to Bank of New South Wales.

RUM, RUM, RUM, FOR CHRISTMAS.—The very best Jamaica Rum can be sold at the usual price at 2s 6d per bottle, on account of having a large stock on hand before the duty has risen. H. WILLIAMS, Huntsman's Inn, corner of Parramatta and Bay streets, Glebe. Try before you buy.

CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR'S DAY FESTIVITIES.
J. V. LAVERS and CO., Wine and Spirit Merchants and Cordial Manufacturers, beg respectfully to inform parties intending to enjoy a picnic on the above-mentioned holidays, they will supply Wines, Spirits, or Cordials, packed in quantities and proportions as may be required, in one, two, or three dozen cases.
J. V. LAVERS and CO., George-street.

AUSTRALIAN WINES.—WYNDHAM and LINDEMAN'S, wholesale or by the single bottle, at R. LAMB and CO.'S, Wine and Spirit Merchants', 147, Pitt-street (opposite Vickery's new buildings).
Prime pine apple cider, 1s 3d per gallon, 6s 6d per dozen.
Fine colonial madeira, 23s per dozen; pints 13s.
All favours promptly attended to.

WYNDHAM and LINDEMAN'S celebrated Australian WINE—Cawarra, Dalwood, Bukkulla, &c. For SALE by J. D. LANKESTER, jun., Exchange Cellars, Pitt-street, Sydney.

GUINNESS'S Foreign Extra STOUT, carefully bottled and packed, shipped in London, at 6s. 6d., large, and 4s. 6d. small; in Liverpool, at 6s. 4d. and 4s. 6d; and in Dublin, should there be a vessel on the berth, at 6s. large, and 4s. 4d. small, per dozen. Bottles and cases included; insurance, extra; terms, nett cash. Apply to W. H. BARKIN, Jun., Exporter, Office, 7, North Richmond-street, Dublin, late of Messrs. A. Guinness, Sons, and Co.'s. References—their Accountant, and Messrs. Ball and Co., bankers, Dublin.

J. M. HASMOT, Wholesale Dealer in every description of Indian Condiments. Grocers and others supplied with any quantity of the choicest chutneys, cayenne pepper, all kinds of essences, the very best curry powders, &c., on most reasonable terms.
Address—Hope Cottage, Riley-street, near the South Head Road.
Terms, cash on delivery.

BILE, INDIGESTION, FLATULENCY, &c., &c.—Instant and permanent relief from the above, by taking NORTON'S VEGETABLE PILLS, in bottles at 1s 6d, 2s 6d, and 4s 6d each. 646 George-street.

SHAW'S Rheumatic and Gout SPECIFIC; it never fails. In bottles, 2s 6d. SHAW, 70, King-street.

CHRISTMAS. CHRISTMAS.—W. WILLIAMSON, Wholesale and Retail WINE, SPIRIT, ALE, and PORTER MERCHANT, Belfast Wine Vaults, Botany Road.
W. W. begs most respectfully to inform his friends and the public that he will not raise his prices during the Christmas Holidays, notwithstanding the increase of the duties on most of the articles he is now selling; but will give the public the benefit of his purchases before the increase, as the following list will prove, viz.:—

BRANDY.		
Martell's brandy	£1 0 0	per gallon
Vine Growers' pale Cognac	2 8 0	per dozen
Renelle and Company's pale ditto	1 15 0	"
GIN.		
Hollands gin, Key brand	2 4 0	per case
Anchor brand	2 0 0	"
All the best brands of old tom	1 15 0	per dozen
WHISKY.		
Irish and Scotch	1 12 0	per dozen
Jamieson's Dublin malt	0 16 0	per gallon
James Stewart's Paisley malt	0 16 0	"
RUM.		
Real Jamaica	0 10 0	"
WINE.		
Champagne	1 10 0	per dozen
Best port	2 0 0	"
Ditto	1 15 0	"
Best Sherry	1 16 0	"
Ditto	1 10 0	"
Claret	1 1 0	"
First-class draught sherry	0 10 0	per gallon
Double diamond draught port	0 10 0	"
BEER.		
Byass' bottled porter	0 10 6	per dozen
Younger's (Abbey Brewery) Edinburgh ale	0 10 6	"
Furze's ale	0 10 0	"
Other brands of porter	0 10 0	"
English draught ale and porter	0 3 4	per gallon
CIDER.		
Marzetti's Devonshire cider	0 11 0	per dozen
Henley's champagne cider	0 11 0	"
Hobart Town	0 2 0	"
CORDIALS.		
Curaçoa	2 0 0	"
Rum shrub	1 0 0	"
Ginger wine	0 12 0	"
Other cordials	0 10 0	"

The above prices are by the case, cask, or gallon. For retail prices see quarterly circulars.

AUSTRALIAN HOCK, 1861 Vintage, now on SALE, 12s. pints, 20s. quarts. J. B. NORTH, Wynyard-street.

CHRISTMAS SUPPLIES at the LONDON TEA WAREHOUSE, 520, George-street.
J. G. HANKS respectfully intimates to the public of Sydney and its suburbs that he has just received ex Strathdon, La Hogue, and others, a choice and well-selected stock of New Eleme RAISINS and finest Patras CURRANTS; also, Prime York HAMS, new North Wilts CHEESE, &c., &c., suitable for the present festive season.
J. G. HANKS has always been noted for selling a first-class article at the smallest shade of profit (hence his steadily increasing trade), and he is determined to exert himself to the utmost to merit and maintain that reputation.
He also desires to express his thanks to his constituents for the liberal patronage awarded to him, and hopes to deserve a still larger share of public support.

J. G. HANKS' ALMANAC for 1866 will be given to every customer on Christmas Eve.

J. G. HANKS' Souchong Tea, at 2s. 6d. per lb., is the best that is sold at the price in Sydney. The immense quantity which is sold daily is a proof of the fact.

FINEST ELEME RAISINS, only 8d. per lb., at J. G. HANKS'S.

FINEST PATRAS CURRANTS, only 6d. per lb at J. G. HANKS'S.

FINE MAURITIUS CRYSTALS, only 4d. per lb., at J. G. HANKS'S.

SULTANAS, of very fine quality, at J. G. HANKS'S.

PEEL (Candied) Citron, Lemon, and Orange, from the celebrated houses of Crosse and Blackwell, Volckman, &c., at J. G. HANKS'S.

FRENCH PLUMS, Figs, Muscatels, Almonds, and nuts, of the best quality, at J. G. HANKS'S.

J. G. HANKS still continues to sell the best Sugars at the lowest possible prices.

HAMS, real York—Taylor's, Compton's, and Finnis and Fisher's, at J. G. HANKS'S.

CHEESE—the finest North Wilts just landed; also, fine colonial cheese, at J. G. HANKS'S.

J. G. HANKS, Wholesale and Family Grocer, 520, George-street, Sydney, and Newtown Road.

AUSTRALIAN TEA MART. Established 1852.
THOMAS METCALFE (late Metcalfe and Lloyd),
Purveyor to her Majesty's Navy, Shipping and Family Grocer,
Wine and Spirit Merchant,
478, George-street, opposite the Markets.

YORK HAMS, finest selected, just landed ex La Hogue.

CHEESE.—Finest Cheshire and North Wilts, prime quality.

RAISINS—Eleme, Sultanas, and finest Muscatells, in layers.

SOFT SHELL ALMONDS, Barcelonas; new Walnuts, and new Jordans.

CANDIED PEEL—Orange, Lemon, and Citron.

MIXED SPICE.—The celebrated London Mixture, in 1 oz. packets.

ITALIAN GOODS.—Crosse and Blackwell's celebrated Oilstores and Indian Condiments, to be obtained from the undersigned.
THOMAS METCALFE, Importer, 478, George-street.

THE CITY TEA WAREHOUSE, and SULTAN'S COFFEE DEPOT, 320, George-street.
JAMES MACGREGOR
Has the honour to announce to the clergy, gentry, and mercantile public of Sydney and New South Wales, that he has just landed a splendid assortment of NEW AND CHOICE GOODS, suitable for the coming festive season. An abundant supply of Oil and Italian wares, choice provisions, consisting of York hams, Wiltshire bacon, Cheshire cheese, &c.,
YORK HAMS, finest selected quality.
CHESHIRE and NORTH WILTS CHEESE, prime quality
MUSCATEL RAISINS, in layers
SULTANA and ELEME Raisins
SOFT SHELL and JORDAN Almonds
CANDIED PEEL, Orange, Lemon, and Citron
MIXED SPICE, fine quality.
The attention of the public is specially directed to the second issue of MACGREGOR'S PRESENTATION ALMANAC for 1866.
This entertaining Almanac contains general information of importance, as well as detailed lists of the new and choice goods always procurable at 320, George-street.
The above will be ready for issue on Christmas Eve, when it will be presented as a Christmas gift to all customers who may favour the establishment with a call.
Wishing you all a merry Christmas and happy New Year,
I am,
Ladies and Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
JAMES MACGREGOR.

NEW GROCERY WAREHOUSE.—The Golden Teapot, corner Brougham-place and Pitt-street.

CHRISTMAS.—Choice new Fruits for table and dessert. Golden Teapot, corner Brougham-pl. and Pitt-st.

FAMILIES supplied with the best description of Groceries, at lowest prices. Brougham-pl. and Pitt-st.

SUPERIOR Teas, Coffees, and Sugars, at the Golden Teapot, Pitt-street, corner Brougham-place.

J. C. GLUE, Wholesale and Family Tea Dealer and Grocer, Golden Teapot, Pitt-st. and Brougham-pl

CHRISTMAS. CHRISTMAS. CHRISTMAS.—EDWARD GOODWIN begs to inform the public that he will supply them with the best articles, at the following rates, viz.:—
Martell's brandy, 20s per gallon, 5s per quart
Preston's superior rum, 12s ditto, 3s ditto
Port and sherry wines, 12s ditto, 3s ditto
Key brand gin, 3s 6d per bottle
Best port wine, Hunt's, 4s ditto
Sir R. Burnett's old tom, 3s 6d ditto
J. Stewart's whisky, 3s ditto
Bottled ale and stout, 1s ditto.
N.B.—On account of the increased duty the above prices will continue for the remainder of the year.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.—H. DE JOSSELIN respectfully invites an inspection This Day, of his elegant assortment of French boxes, bonbon holders, &c., &c., just imported direct from Paris. Christmas cakes beautifully ornamented and of the best quality. Luncheons daily 1 till 3. Dinners and suppers provided. Wines and spirits of the best quality.

NOTICE TO MY CUSTOMERS.—As Christmas Day falls this year on a Monday, and being a Church holiday, I am compelled to supply my customers on Saturday for Sunday and Monday; but Tuesday, the 26th, Boxing Day, my shop will be open till 10 a.m., and my carts will deliver fresh bread the whole day.
A. SHADLER, Machine Bread Baker, 59, Hunter-street.

CHRISTMAS. CHRISTMAS. CHRISTMAS.—E. THAME, in returning his best thanks to his numerous and valued friends, both town and country, for the liberal amount of support awarded him during the past five years, takes this opportunity of reminding them that the same care and strict attention to their favours which has hitherto been shown shall always continue to be a leading feature in the conduct of his establishment.
His stock, which has recently been largely replenished expressly for the approaching season, will be found to contain every necessary obtainable in a first-class house, and of the same unsurpassable quality which a discerning public have so generously appreciated, and thereby rendered further comment superfluous.
Again thanking his many friends for their kind acknowledgments of his past endeavours to please, and confidently relying upon their future support, he wishes to all
A merry Christmas and a happy New Year.
Globe Tea Warehouse, 476, George-street, opposite the Markets.

CHRISTMAS. CHRISTMAS.
W. HUGHES begs to inform his customers and the public generally that he has just received his usual supply of Provisions suitable for the present season, consisting of
Finest selected YORK HAMS
Ditto WILTSHIRE BACON
Prime NORTH WILTS CHEESE.
FRUITS.
New figs and French plums, in small boxes; muscatel, Sultana, and Eleme raisins, Patras currants, candied peel, soft shell and Jordan almonds, Barcelonas, walnuts, preserved ginger, chow chow and comquots.
Oilmen's stores in great variety. Also, superior colonial wines, from one of the best vineyards.
Orders delivered to any part of town and suburbs
W. HUGHES, Wholesale and Family Grocer, 68 William-street.

CHRISTMAS FRUITS and PROVISIONS.—The undersigned desires to call attention to his large and well-selected stock of Groceries and Provisions and Fruits suitable for the approaching festive season.
E. TIGHE, 635, George-street.

YORK HAMS.—Prime parcel, just landed; North Wilts Cheese, in excellent condition; New Currants, Eleme and Muscatel Raisins, at
E. TIGHE'S, 635, George-street.

NEW WALNUTS.—Jordan and Soft-shell Almonds and Prunes, Potted Pastes, Salmon, Lobsters, Oysters, and Herrings, in every variety.
E. TIGHE, 635, George-street.

TEAS ex Music, some of the finest ever imported; Fine Flour, at mill prices.
E. TIGHE, 635, George-street, and 60, William-street.

CHRISTMAS CAKES, CHRISTMAS CAKES, and CONFECTIONERY.
Persons in want of the above can have the best and cheapest, at
J. W. HAYNES',
Pastry Cook and Confectioner,
572, George-street, opposite the Cathedral.

MONSTER CHRISTMAS CAKES, as usual, at WRIGHT and SMITH'S, 436, George-street, next Royal Hotel.

MONSTER CAKES, weighing 365 lbs. each, to be sold in quantities to suit purchasers, at One Shilling per lb. WRIGHT and SMITH, 436, George-street, near Royal Hotel.

MONSTER CAKES ON VIEW THIS DAY.

MONSTER CAKE, same quality as last two years, which gave universal satisfaction, One Shilling per lb. WRIGHT and SMITH, 436, George-street, near Royal Hotel.

MONSTER CAKES, Wedding Cakes, and Christmas Cakes of every description, at WRIGHT and SMITH'S, 436, George-street, near the Royal Hotel.

MONSTER CAKES and Confectionery of every description. WRIGHT and SMITH, 436, George-street, near Royal Hotel.

MONSTER CAKE WAREHOUSE, 436, George-street

MONSTER CAKE at WRIGHT and SMITH'S, ONE SHILLING per lb.

MONSTER CAKES, weighing 365 lbs. each; to be sold in quantities to suit purchasers, at One Shilling per lb. WRIGHT and SMITH, Wholesale Confectioners, 436, George-street, near Royal Hotel.

MONSTER CAKES, Liqueur Ornaments, Bon Bons and Confectionery in great variety, at WRIGHT and SMITH'S, 436, George-street, next door but one to Royal Hotel.

THE undersigned begs to call the attention of his customers to the new goods just landed (suitable for the approaching festive season), and for sale at 278, Pitt-street, opposite the School of Arts:—
Prime York hams, Finnis and Fisher's
North Wilts cheese
Patras currants, new fruits
Raisins, Eleme, Sultana, and Muscatels
Candied peel, orange, lemon, and citron
Mixed spices
Flavouring essences
Jams, jellies, and bottled fruits
Fruit essences
Brandied fruits
Preserved ginger, dry and in syrup
Jordan and soft shell almonds, &c., &c.
JOHN CALDWELL, Retail and Family Grocer, 278, Pitt-street.

REALLY CHOICE NEW FINEST TEAS.

"Music," Nos. 24, 32	Assorted Oilmen's Stores:—
"Castle How," No. 10	Salad oils, jams
"Colonist," No. 3	Bottled fruits
"Helen," No. 9, 29	Vinegar, pint pickles
"Kahlamba," No. 18	Fresh herrings
"Asia," Nos. 25, 30, 31, 44, 45, 50	Bleached ginger
	Carbonate soda
Martell's brandy	Cream of tartar
Demerara Rum	Blacking, all sizes
Fine sherry and port	Cocoa, chocolate
Clean 10s. honeydew	Robinson's groats
Woolpacks, shears	Shop twine
	Oatmeal.

EDWARD CHAPMAN and CO.

CHOICE TEAS.—The attention of our customers and others is respectfully invited to the finest sample of tea ever imported. Also Huntley and Palmer's biscuits, all choice kinds.
Cheese, North Wilts and Cheddar
York hams, best selected
Muscatels, Sultanas, and Eleme raisins
Currants and candied peel
China preserves, French prunes, &c., &c.
Crosse and Blackwell's calfsfoot jelly
Jams, jellies, and bottled fruits, with every other article required at the present season.
SMYTH and WELLS Wholesale and Family Grocers, 88, Hunter-street.

ELEME RAISINS, Currants, Prunes, Jams, Bottled Fruits, Sperms, Kerosene, Groats, Vestas, Salad and Castor Oils, Cocoa, Chocolate, Manila Coffee, Red Cabbage, D. and M. Blacking. T. J. Statchbury, Clarence st.

CHRISTMAS.—York Hams, Raisins, Spirits, Wines, and Groceries. HENRY FISHER and SON, 8, Macquarie-place.

PRIVATE FAMILIES can be supplied at HENRY FISHER and SON'S, 8, Macquarie-place.

YORK HAMS and North Wilts Cheese, now landing. H. S. BIRD, Circular Quay.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.—Messrs. EASTWAY have for SALE a very choice lot of SINGING CANARIES, and a large and varied assortment of Canary Cages, of every description, and cheaper than ever; also, some very handsome Parrots and Parrot Cages, and a great variety of Fishing Tackle. EASTWAY and SONS, 425, George-street.

FOR SALE, by the undersigned—
Drapery, hosiery
Haberdashery, stationery
Cutlery, twines, all sizes
Brushware, combs
Brown and royal hand wrapping papers
White and coloured tea and coffee papers
Sugar bags, various sizes.
J. F. M'DONALD, 636, George-street South.

WANTED, to sell COATS, at 1s 6d to 15s 6d. W. Baynes, 267, Kent-street, and 57, King-street.

WANTED, to sell VESTS, at 1s to 7s 6d. W. Baynes, 267, Kent-street, and 57, King-street.

WANTED to sell BOOTS, at 2s to 6s 6d. W. Baynes, 267, Kent-street, and 56, King-street.

WAGGONS of every description, best seasoned material and workmanship. Enever, 461, Brickfield-hill

DRAYS of every description, warranted. ENEVER Wheelwright, 561, Brickfield-hill.

SPRING-CARTS of every description, cheap. Clearing out establishment opposite Police Court, removing business to Brickfield-hill.

ENEVER, Wheelwright, 506 and 561, George-street in removing the whole of his business to the Brickfield-hill establishment, begs to inform his friends, and the public generally, that he intends to sell his stock of new and second-hand spring-carts at a great reduction on former rates. Every article manufactured of the best seasoned materials, warranted.

WAGGONS, Drays, Spring-carts, Barrows, &c., on SALE at ENEVER'S establishment, 561, Brickfield-hill, west side, below Liverpool-street. Large wheel over entrance. The trade supplied with seasoned materials.

TO BE SOLD, cheap, a good safe BOAT; or to be Let for the holidays. "Boat," HERALD Office.

PONY.—For SALE, a neat quiet little PONY; goes well either in saddle or harness; just come down the country; only £8. Australian Hotel, corner of Pitt and Goulburn streets.

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JUST RECEIVED, ex Steamer MADRAS—
Ladies' best Josephine kid gloves, in all tints, medium drabs, and clear dark colours
Ladies' best lavender Josephines, with black points
Children's superior kid gloves, all sizes
Ladies' superior Paris kid gloves, new make
Gentlemen's muslin and silk pugarees
Gentlemen's coloured dogskin gloves
Gentlemen's pearl and ivory collar studs, white, black, and coloured
Ladies' superior riding and driving gauntlets
Gentlemen's superior Tom Thumb and Eglinton ties, all widths.
S. H. LEWIS, The French Glove Depot, 10 Hunter-street.

EX MAIL STEAMER.—A récherché assortment of Scarfs, Ties, &c., suited to the present season. Scarf rings, pins, studs, vest buttons, &c., in great variety. An immense variety of fancy articles, for Christmas presents. 2 cases Jouvin's, Josephine, and gauntlet kid gloves.
PARROT, BROTHERS, 12, Hunter-street.

BERLIN BAZAAR.—Just received per mail, a superior assortment of FANCY ARTICLES suitable for Christmas and New Year's gifts, in crystals, vases, toilet bottles, gilt; ivory ware, steel brooches, combs, and portemonnaies, of the latest fashions. W. LEIPOLD, 386, George-street.

W. CREGO has just opened a splendid assortment of Ladies' and Children's Boots and Shoes.

W. CREGO is selling Ladies' Cashmere Boots at 2s 8d. 237, Pitt-street, 3 doors from Victoria Theatre.

W. CREGO is selling Ladies' Coloured Cashmere Boots at 3s 6d, worth 5s 6d.

W. CREGO is selling Ladies' French Kid Boots at 5s 6d, worth 8s 6d. 237, Pitt-street.

W. CREGO is selling young Ladies' Bronze Kid Boots, elastic sides, at 3s 6d, worth 6s 6d. 237, Pitt-street.

WOOLLENS.—For SALE by the undersigned:—
Broadcloths, doeskins, satin de laine, witneys
Diagonals, meltons, sattaras, mantle cloths, &c.
Fancy woollens, silk mixtures, velvets, &c.
Billiard cloths, very superior quality
Summer goods, just landed.
Ex Earl Dalhousie, Palawan, and Diligentia.
Wholesale Woollen Warehouse, 12, Wynyard-lane.
C. J. MULLER and CO., Importers.

LONDON, BIRMINGHAM, and SHEFFIELD WAREHOUSE.—W. SABER, General Importer, having finished the alterations on his premises, and also made extensive arrangements with his agents in London and Liverpool for the supply of all the newest articles in fancy goods, &c., is now prepared to execute all orders intrusted to his care with promptitude and under his own superintendence. It would be useless to mention any articles in particular from so varied a stock as W. S.'s; suffice it to say that storekeepers favouring him with their orders, may always rely upon having them completed to their satisfaction. Captains and others trading to the islands would do well by inspecting W. Saber's large stock of goods suitable for that trade, in which department he has spared no expense to make it complete.
W. SABER, in concluding, begs to thank the public for their support for the last fourteen years, and hopes by strict attention to business to merit a fair share of patronage hitherto so liberally bestowed on him.
W. SABER, General Importer,
486 and 502, George-street, Sydney.

EX MAIL.—JULIUS HAMBURGER, 83, King-street East, General Importer and Wholesale Jeweller, received, coloured gold Jewellery, to suit the Australian taste, and will receive by every mail a good assortment in fancy jewellery, ladies' companions, belts, combs, purses in morocco leather, and an endless variety of things. Will receive also per mail, from Paris, ex Naomi, purses and jewellery cases, spectacle cases, just landed. Different shipments of other fancy goods to arrive shortly. Shopkeepers and dealers will always find new goods at reasonable prices.

NEW GOODS PER MAIL.—Just received an assortment of beautiful fancy articles, consisting of silver filigre brooches, silver bouquet holder, Mordan's silver and ivory pencil cases, ladies' companions, with superior fittings, ladies and gents' leather writing desks and dressing cases, very elegant ladies' purses, tortoiseshell and silver inlaid card cases, cut steel ornaments, necklaces, bracelets, combs, buckles, brushes, &c., sandalwood, bracelets, enamelled hairpins in Lombardian style; cigar case, in corkwood; cocoanut fibre, calfskins, carved ivory napkin rings, paper knives, &c., &c.
J. HAGEN'S Fancy Emporium, 287, George-street.

VALENTINES! VALENTINES! VALENTINES.—To the Trade, Country Storekeepers, Dealers, &c.—MYERS and SOLOMON, 542, George-street, opposite the Cathedral, have now landed, ex Mail Steamer, Naomi, and Cindrella, seven cases of the choicest description of Valentines and Poetry Cards, the whole of which are now ready for SALE. The assortment is very beautiful, consisting of the newest designs and novelties.
Buy your valentines where you can get the best assortment. None can compete with our prices.
MYERS and SOLOMON, Importers, 542, George-street, opposite the Cathedral.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.—MYERS and SOLOMON will resume their business at half-past 6 THIS EVENING.
The remainder of their open stock of Toys and Fancy Goods for Christmas Presents and New Year's Gifts will be cleared out at cost price.

FIRE! FIRE!—In consequence of the total destruction of my Stock by the late calamitous fire in King-street on Thursday evening, I beg respectfully to inform my friends and customers who have so generously patronised me during the last 14 years, at the old Civet Cat, that I am carrying on the business at the AUSTRALIAN FANCY BAZAAR, George-street, opposite Messrs. David Jones and Co., and where will be found one of the choicest stocks in the colonies of every description of Fancy Goods and Toys, just landed ex Walter Hood and Naomi, and suitable for Christmas presents and New Year's Gifts.

FIRE! FIRE! FIRE!—E. DAVIS returns his sincere thanks to his numerous friends, the Police, and Fire Brigades, for their kind and generous assistance during the late calamitous fire on his premises in King-street.

SPRING Rocking Horses, Skin Covered ditto, in all sizes, at 396, George-street.

GAMES, Puzzles, Croquet, Aunt Sally, and a variety of others, at E. DAVIS'S, 396, George-street.

THE Proprietor of the Civet Cat will be glad to see his customers at 396, George-street.

WORKBOXES, Writing Desks, Dressing Cases, Ladies' Companions, at E. DAVIS'S, 396, Geo.-st.

TOYS, TOYS, Dolls, Dolls.—If you want cheap goods, come to 396, George-street.

CHRISTMAS Presents, at E. DAVIS'S Fancy Bazaar, 396, George-street, late of the C. C.

JUST OPENED, large Wax Fruits and Flowers, under Shades, at EMANUEL'S, 117, South Head Road.

TOYS, Dolls, Games, &c., the largest variety in the colony, at 25 per cent. cheaper than anywhere else, at the London and Paris Toy Bazaar, opposite the Markets, George-street.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU ALL.—Presents for the million, at Lemaire's Bazaar, opp. Markets.

DON'T FORGET to go and see LEMAIRE'S Large Gallery. A band is engaged, and will be in attendance at the London and Paris Toy and Fancy Bazaar, opposite Markets.

AUSTRALIAN FURNITURE WAREHOUSE, 100, KING-STREET, SYDNEY.
(Established 1835.)
Messrs. JOHN HILL and CO. beg to announce to their friends and the public in general, that in consequence of the intended departure of their Mr. John Hill for Europe, at the close of the present year they have determined to offer the whole of their very extensive and superior stock of Cabinet and Upholstery manufactures in every department at a considerable reduction on former prices, in order to afford space for large importations of English and Continental goods, to be selected by Mr. John Hill during his visit to Europe.
Messrs. John Hill and Co., in making the above announcement, solicit the inspection of their customers and the public, of their very large stock of new and first-class goods, comprising superior drawing and dining room, library, hall, boudoir, and bedroom furniture of every description; also, Brussells and tapestry carpets, floorcloths, hearthrugs, door mats, coir and China matting, feather and air beds and pillows for invalids, &c., &c., the whole of which they are anxious to dispose by the end of the year, in order to be prepared for their fresh importations.
100, King-street, Sydney, September 11th, 1865.
N.B.—The above advertisement refers to new and first class goods only, no second hand articles being kept on the establishment.

FLOORCLOTH! FLOORCLOTH!! Messrs. JOHN HILL and CO. have just received a large shipment of superior Floorcloth in every width, for rooms, halls, stairs, &c. 100, King-street, Sydney.

CARPETS! CARPETS!! CARPETS!!! Messrs. JOHN HILL and CO. have on hand a large stock of Drawing and Dining Room Carpets in Brussels, Tapestry, &c., from first-class manufacturers, for SALE at a great reduction on former prices. Also, Hearthrugs, Door Mats, &c. 100, King-street, Sydney.

MATTRESSES and PALLIASSES made of the best materials—
Horsehair
Wool
Fibre
Flax.
Mattresses cleaned by steam.
W. REASON, 7, Bridge-street.

FLOUR.—Superfine silk-dressed, in 50-lb. bags. STEPHEN NUTTER, Caledonia Wharf, King-st.

ELEME RAISINS, prime quality, now landing. LORIMER, MARWOOD and ROME, Pitt-street.

JAMS, Joyce's, in 1 lb. tins, assorted. LORIMER, MARWOOD, and ROME, Pitt-street.

FOR SALE, at the Stores of the Undersigned—
Akerman's North Wilts' cheese
Colman's mustard, starch, and blue
Currie powder
D. and W. Gibbs's soaps, and Armand's perfumery
Muntz' yellow metal, 14 to 26 oz., and nails
White lead, colours and paints, and pumice stone
Demerara rum
Superior port and sherry, in bottle
Bottled beers of various brands
Light still, and sparkling wines
Wine and gingerbeer corks.
ALLAN, STREET, and NORTON.

ON SALE:—
New currants, 5½d per lb.
Bottled fruits, 1s per bottle
Hobart Town jams, 10d per tin
Finest flour, 3d per lb.
Ditto rice, 3d per lb., or 12 lbs. for 2s 6d
Prepared corn flour, 7d per lb.
Good family coffee, 1s per lb.
Ditto ditto congou tea, 1s 6d; the best, 2s 6d per lb.
Best Aberdeen bloaters, 3s 6d the 2-dozen tin
Fresh herrings, in 1-lb. tins, 8d
Full weight sperm candles, 1s
Paste blacking, best, 5s per gross.
JOHN WOODS, 511, George-street, near Bathurst-street.

ON SALE, at the Stores of the undersigned, ex late arrivals,—

North Wilts cheese	Day and Martin's blacking, A, B, and C
Prime York hams	Shop twine
Soft shell almonds	Scented hair oil
Muscatel raisins	Wotherspoon's confectionery
Oatmeal, in tins	Candied peel
Patent groats	Flavouring essences
Keilor's pastilles and jujubes	Fulwood's anatto
H. H. Ledger's oilmen's stores	Whiting, small casks
Crosse and Blackwell's ditto	Soda crystals
Vinegar, bulk and bottle	Saltpetre, 1 cwt. kegs
Taylor, Brothers', cocoa and chocolate	West India arrowroot
	Lea and Perrin's sauce
Colman's starch	Salt, rock, coarse and fine
Light blue ditto, and mustard	Congou tea, various brands
Holloway's pills and ointment	Loaf sugar, in casks
	Sugar, bright and ration.

J. J. CURRAN, 649, George-street South.

JUST LANDED, and on SALE, at W. PATTEN'S, Australian Marble Works, 342 and 344, Pitt-street, Sydney.
Enamelled slate baths
Plain slate ditto
Superior marble chimney-pieces, in statuary, vein, sienna, dove, black and gold, black, Irish red, and emperor's red, fossil, &c., &c.
A large stock on hand for cottage or bedroom ditto, in marble, enamelled slate, and plain slate, very cheap
Portland cement
Keene's patent marble cement
American plaster of paris
J. B. White's fine English ditto ditto.

PICNIC BEVERAGE.—Nothing is so wholesome or so cheap as the Australian WINES, 1s and 1s 6d per bottle. George-street Market.

WHEAT.—Adelaide Wheat, Hart's Flour, and Bran. Wright's Wharf. WILLIAM WRIGHT.

BRAN.—Best Adelaide, for SALE. H. H. BEAUCHAMP, 14, Barrack-street.

BONNIOT'S BRANDY.—Cases and quarters for sale. H. H. BEAUCHAMP, 14, Barrack-street.

BUTTER.—BUTTER on SALE, ready packed, for exportation. R. J. HARDY, 109, Sussex-street.

MAIZE FLOUR, 10s per 100 lbs., bags included. PEMELL'S Stores, Parramatta street, Sydney.

JAMES PEMELL has for SALE,—
Silk-dressed fine flour
Seconds flour
Maize flour, fresh ground
Cracked maize, always on hand.
PEMELL'S Stores, Parramatta-street, Sydney.

A COUNTERPOISE to increased Taxation.—Best BREAD, 4½d. PRITCHARD'S Bakery, King-st.

BONE DUST for SALE (fine). S. HEBBLEWHITE, 432, George-street.

KEROSENE OIL.—Kerosene Oil.—A first-class article, by the case, 3s. 6d. per gallon; smaller quantities, 4s., cash. 511, George-street, near the Golden Gate.

W. S. ROBINSON, Licensed Plumber and Gasfitter, 150, Phillip-street. Baths, pumps, patent water-closets, roofing, and guttering, and water laid on with iron or lead piping.

KEROSENE OIL, 4s 6d by the single gallon; 4s 3d by the case. JOHN A. LOSEE, Newtown.

KEROSENE OIL, best brands; cheapest house in the City. JOHN MURPHY, 23, Parramatta-street.

KEROSENE OIL, Linseed (Raw and Boiled) Oil, Asphalte, Sheet Lead, Corrugated Iron. Wright's Whf.

SALT.—Liverpool Coarse and Fine Salt, American White Pine, T. and G. Wright's Wharf. W. WRIGHT.

WASTE PAPER for SALE. Apply to Mr WILLIAMS, HERALD Office.

ON SALE, Hobart Town Jams, Anchors and Ash Oars. W. R. HILL, Grafton Wharf.

ON SALE, a small lot of LUMBER, cheap. W. R. HILL, Grafton Wharf.

TO CAPTAINS of VESSELS.—For SALE, a Child's CAUL. Apply by letter to G. N., HERALD Office.

GARDEN HONEY, splendid quality, in lots to suit purchasers, cheap. J. SIMMONDS, Produce Agent, 104, Sussex-street.

SHEET LEAD and Lead Pipe, all weights and sizes. J. M'ILWRAITH and CO., 45, New Pitt-street.

GALVANIZED Corrugated and Plain Iron; Tubing, Guttering, &c. M'ILWRAITH and Co., New Pitt-st.

DRAIN PIPES, at reduced prices. J. M'ILWRAITH and CO., 45, New Pitt-street.

OLD LEAD bought in any quantity. J. M'ILWRAITH and CO., 45, New Pitt-street.

WIRE NAILS.—Just landed, Wire Nails, all sizes. PARTRIDGE'S Stores, Bathurst-street.

CHEAP ROOFING, Guttering, Piping, Ridging, &c. PARTRIDGE'S Stores, Bathurst-street.

FOR HIRE, Open and Close Carriages, covered Sociable carries nine. G. KISS'S Livery Yard, Bourke-st.

HORSES, Buggies, Dogcarts, &c., on HIRE. G. KISS, Bourke-street, South Head Road.

TO PICNICS and FAMILIES.—For Hire, WAGONETTE and pair quiet Horses. Stables, 450, Pitt-street South.

HOLIDAYS.—To Picnic Parties. Waggonette and pair Horses for hire. NORFOLK'S, 450, Pitt-st.

HORSE, Spring-cart, and Harness; a capital turn-out. GIBSON'S Repository, 282, Pitt-street.

HORSES.—Herbert Gibson has several good Harness Horses for SALE. Repository op. School of Arts.

FOR SALE, pair splendid Buggy HORSES. GIBSON'S Repository, op. School of Arts, Pitt-street.

MARE, Buggy, and Harness, all in good order, £10 the lot. GIBSON'S, 282, Pitt-street.

FOWLS and DUCKS.—60 couples young Hawkesbury fowls, 3s a pair. GIBSON, 282, Pitt-street.

CALVES for SALE.—7 prime Windsor calves, 15s. each. GIBSON, 282, Pitt-street.

WANTED, to SELL a first-rate PONY, good in saddle and harness. Trial given. 21, Charlotte-pl.

ENGLISH FAMILY BAROUCHE FOR SALE, just landed, built by Channing, Taunton; very roomy, and fitted with all the latest improvements. On view at W. HOLT'S Carriage Bazaar, Castlereagh-street.

AMERICAN CARRIAGES of every description for SALE at W. HOLT'S Carriage Bazaar, Castlereagh-street.

SECOND-HAND top and no-top BUGGIES, Dog-carts, Cab Phaetons, &c., at very low prices, at W. HOLT'S Carriage Bazaar, 267 and 269, Castlereagh-street.

TO UNDERTAKERS.—For SALE, large MOURNING COACH, newly done up, as good as new. Apply C. LEWIS, Ancient Briton Hotel, 126, King-street, Sydney.

TO DISPOSE OF, the LEASE, License, and Furniture of LIGHTHOUSE HOTEL; a good business house. Satisfactory reasons for leaving; incoming moderate.

FOR SALE, STOCK and Fixtures of a tobacconist's shop, doing a snug business, the proprietor leaving solely on account of ill health. Apply C. READ, 561, Brickfield-hill.

FOR PRIVATE SALE, 2 detached COTTAGES, Newtown, in close vicinity to the main road. Apply to T. W. BOWDEN, Auctioneer, Sydney; or to G. LANGHORNE, Estate Agent, Newtown.

FOR SALE, a wooden SHED, situate corner of William and Victoria streets. Apply Mrs. BENSON, 163, Duke-street, Woolloomooloo.

FOR SALE, very cheap, a new HOUSE, off Edward-street, near South Head Road, 20 minutes' walk from Post Office, price £160; let at 10s a week. Other properties as usual. Apply to W. M. CLARKE, 2, Wentworth-place.

FOR SALE, a substantial stone-built RESIDENCE, with orchard and grounds, having extensive deep water frontage to the harbour. For healthiness, and beauty of situation, as well as privacy, and convenience to the wharves, stores, and public buildings at Hunter's Hill, this property is unsurpassed. Steamers ply twenty-four times daily between Sydney and this favourite suburb, offering to residents great convenience at a very small charge. As an investment this property will always command a fair return. Apply to Mr NUTTER, Agent, Caledonian Wharf, King-street.

FOR SALE.—
Brick House, hall, 4 rooms, kitchen and stable, &c., balcony front and rear, flower garden, large yard and excellent water, Missenden Road, Newtown. Price £320.
Stone Verandah Cottage, 5 rooms, kitchen, cellars, good garden. Situated close to the Steam Ferry, Balmain.
Two Cottages, each 2 rooms and kitchen; allotment, 61 feet square; George-street, Redfern. Price £450.
Stone Verandah Cottage, 6 rooms, kitchen, &c., good garden and wharf, with deep water frontage, situated within five minutes' walk of the Steam Ferry, Balmain. Price, £650.
Four Brick Cottages, Glebe. Price, £800.
Two Brick Houses, each 3 rooms, good allotment, Crown-street, Surry Hills. Price, £350.
Cottage, 4 rooms, &c., large shed, and good yard, with back entrance, Glebe. Price, £220.
Brick House, 4 rooms, &c., Brisbane-street. Price, £320.
Stone Cottage, 10 rooms, &c., and 1½ acre land, North Shore. Price, £750.
Eleven Stone and Brick-built houses, returning 14 per cent. Price, £2460. Woolloomooloo.
Five Stone-built Houses, Crown-street, Woolloomooloo.
Brick Shop and Dwelling-house, South Head Road, Paddington. Price, £500.
Two Brick Houses, Dowling-street, Woolloomooloo. Now let at 16s. per week. Price £290.
Six Brick Houses, Surry Hills—a good investment.
Stone-built Verandah Cottage, containing 6 rooms, &c., and 6 acres land, fenced, good water frontage, situated within easy distance either by a good road, rail, or steamer. Price £375.
Brick-built House, with balcony, containing hall, 4 rooms, kitchen, and wash-house, good yard, with back entrance; water laid on, Riley-street. Price £470.
Three substantially built Brick Houses, each containing passage, 6 well-finished and lofty rooms, kitchen, and wash-house, &c. One of the Houses has a brick stable and coachhouse, with small paddock.
LEASEHOLD PROPERTIES.
Stone-built House, passage, 3 rooms, and kitchen; water laid on; allotment, 20 feet by 100 feet; Pyrmont. Price £150.
Brick Cottage, 4 rooms, &c.; Woollahra. Price £150.
Weatherboard Cottage, 4 rooms, kitchen, wash-house, shed, &c.; corner allotment, 42 feet by 199 feet; Woollahra. Price £100.
Brick and Weatherboard Cottages, with good allotments, Waterloo Estate. Prices, £75 to £130.
FARMS.
Camden, Penrith, Ashfield, Canterbury, Cook's River, Kurrajong, Liverpool, George's River, M'Leay River, Gosford, &c.
ALLOTMENTS.
Darlinghurst, Surry Hills, Glebe, Kingston Estate, Balmain, St. Leonards, Petersham, Ashfield, Burwood, Five Dock, Sydenham, Parramatta, Randwick, Manly Beach, Gosford, Nelligen, Currowan, Camden, &c.
Together with a variety of other properties too numerous to mention in an advertisement.
For particulars of which apply to F. E. RISHWORTH, Auctioneer, House and Land Agent, No. 401, George-street, opposite the Royal Hotel.

FOR SALE, Woollahra, detached Verandah Weatherboard COTTAGE, 4 rooms, kitchen, wash-house, fowl house, &c.; excellent water. Corner allotment, 43 feet frontage to Piper-street, by a depth of 100 feet, well fenced—price £100. Apply to F. E. RISHWORTH, Agent, opposite the Royal Hotel.

FOR SALE, Pyrmont, a stone-built HOUSE, slated, containing passage, 3 rooms, and kitchen, &c.; water laid on. Allotment, 20 feet by 100 feet—price £150. Apply to F. E. RISHWORTH, Agent, No. 401, George-street.

TO PUBLICANS.—TO LET, on LEASE, a corner HOUSE, containing 7 rooms, stores, &c.; would be well adapted for a Public-house, being centrally situated in one of the busiest thoroughfares. F. E. RISHWORTH, No. 401, George-street.

FOR SALE, 45 Acres Rich Mineral LAND, containing Coal, Iron, and Kerosene Shale; well watered; 30 acres cleared and fenced—situated between Wollongong and Bellambi. F. E. RISHWORTH, No. 401, George-street.

CITY INVESTMENT.—Two substantial stone HOUSES, returning 14 per cent. Price £460. F. E. RISHWORTH, No. 401, George-street.

FOR SALE, at Ashfield, a GARDEN, containing 4 acres, a small house, 250 assorted fruit trees, 2000 strawberry plants; about five minutes' walk from station. Apply to Mr. PLUMB, on the premises.

FOR SALE, a Dairy BUSINESS, near the city, returning £400 per annum, at good profits. T. S. HARWOOD, Ultimo.

FAT LAMBS for SALE. H. R. REID, Clarence-street, Wynyard-square.

SALES BY AUCTION.

SATURDAY'S General Sale.

MR. C. MARTYN will sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
The usual variety of saddle and harness horses, vehicles, harness, saddlery, &c.

Tattersall's New Year's Day Races.

MR. CHARLES MARTYN will sell by auction, without reserve, at his Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, December the 23rd, at 12 o'clock,
The Tolls at the Gate
The admission to the Saddling Yard and Grand Stand
Three Publicans' Booths
Also the Booth under the New Stand.
The charge for admission to the Gate will be the same as charged by the Jockey Club; and to the Saddling Yard and Grand Stand, five shillings each.
Terms at sale.—No reserve.

Martyn's Horse and Carriage Bazaar, 246, Pitt-street, and 235, Castlereagh-street.

MR. CHARLES MARTYN holds a regular SALE BY AUCTION every TUESDAY, THURSDAY, and SATURDAY, at 11 o'clock precisely.
All parties sending horses or other stock, carriages, &c., are requested to forward written instructions previous to sale, stating brands, age, qualifications, &c., and amount of reserve, otherwise a sale will be effected to the highest bidder.

To Butchers.
Prize Oxen
Fat Lambs.

BURT and CO. will sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS MORNING, Saturday, at 10 o'clock,
2 prize oxen, fed on the Hunter, estimated at 14 cwt. each.
And
A lot of very superior lambs, from Messrs. Wyndham's, Dalwood.

Draught Colts.

At the Camperdown Yards, THURSDAY, 28th instant.

BURT and CO. are instructed by Mr. Thomas Wade to sell by auction, at the above Yards, on THURSDAY, the 28th instant, at 2.30 p.m.,
36 draught colts and fillies, the famous WADE brand, got by Young Scotch Jock out of Clydesdale mares.
Mr Wade's horses are too well known to require comment. This is the first batch of the season, and, with the present scarcity of draught stock, should command attention.

To Flock Owners.
Imported Negretti Sheep,
Rams and Ewes.

For Positive Sale on MONDAY, January 8.

BURT and CO. are instructed by the importers, Messrs. Meyerfeld and Co., to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, on MONDAY, January 8, at 12 o'clock,
The shipment of pure Negretti sheep,
50 rams
20 ewes,
which has been on view at their establishment for some weeks.
These sheep were selected by a competent judge from the most famous flocks in Germany expressly to meet the requirements of colonial flock owners, and it has been admitted that they are without exception the best pure merinos yet imported.
They are all young sheep, and several lately shown here have cut from 17 to 20 lbs. of wool, 15 and 18 months' growth.
Particular attention is invited to this sale, as the importers, from the unfavourable state of the markets and for the satisfaction of their constituents in Germany, prefer public to private sale.

HORSE BAZAAR, Pitt and Castlereagh streets, Sydney.
Established 1847.
BURT and CO., hold a regular sale by auction every day at 11 o'clock.
Horses intended for sale should arrive at the Bazaar accompanied by instructions, one day previous, in order to be properly dressed, tried, and shown.
The usual cash advances on invoices of saddlery, gigs, carriages, and other vehicles intended for unreserved sale for which there is ample room under cover.
The private livery stables adjoin the Castlereagh-street entrance, and are wholly distinct from the sale stables.

In the Insolvent Estate of Thomas Vogan.
By order of Official Assignee, under direction of Creditors.

JAMES OCTAVIUS BRADLY will sell by auction, on the premises, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
Household furniture and effects, consisting of tables, chairs, chest of drawers, bedsteads, engravings, and sundries.
Terms, cash.
Offices, King-street.

Clearing-Out Sale.
THIS DAY,
At the Labour Bazaar.

Household Furniture, Carpets, Bedsteads and Bedding, Counters, Shelving, Cooking Stoves, &c., &c.

ALEXANDER MOORE and CO. will sell by auction, at the Mart, Labour Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock.
Household furniture and effects, comprising
Couches, sofas, and chairs
Loo and dining tables
Chests drawers, chiffonieres
Washstands and sets, toilet tables
Iron and wood bedsteads
Children's cots, iron stretchers
Mattresses, palliasses, pillows, &c.
New and second-hand carpets
Fenders and irons, hearth-rugs
Crockery, china, and glassware
Cedar counters and shelving
Russell's and American stoves
Kitchen utensils and sundries.
Terms at sale.

THURSDAY, 28th December, at 11 o'clock.

At the residence of Stuart Murray, Esq., corner of Macquarie and Bent streets, opposite Domain Gate.

Important Sale of Elegant and Substantial Household Furniture and Effects.
Rosewood Cottage Piano.

MESSRS. ALEXANDER MOORE and CO. have received instructions from Stuart Murray, Esq., Manager of the Oriental Bank, to sell by auction (in consequence of his removal to the Bank premises), at his residence, corner of Macquarie and Bent streets, THURSDAY, 28th December, at 11 o'clock,
The whole of his superior and substantial household furniture and effects, comprising
Rosewood cottage piano
Rosewood drawing-room suite, covered in rich tabaret
Walnut oval table, elegant gas chandelier, Brussels carpet and rug
Dining-room suite covered in morocco
Substantial telescope dining table
Pedestal sideboard, refrigerators
China and glassware
Electro-plated ware
Tubular and solid iron bedsteads and bedding
Marble top washstands, toilet tables and glasses
Chests of drawers
Window curtains and drapery
Oilcloth, stair carpet and rods
Fenders and irons
Verandah seats, wire fencing
Kitchen utensils and a variety of sundries.
Also,
An excellent children's trapeze.
Catalogues and cards to view will be ready the day before the sale, on the premises, or of the auctioneers.

At the Auction Rooms, 311, George-street.
(Late Rossiter and Lazarus's.)
SATURDAY, 23rd December, at 11 o'clock.

Under Bill of Sale.
Pianoforte, Harmonium, Household Furniture, Drapery, Grocery, Wine, Ale, Porter.

MR. H. D. COCKBURN has been instructed to sell by auction, THIS DAY, 23rd December, at 11 o'clock, at his Rooms, 311, George-street,
The above.
Terms, cash. No reserve.

WEDNESDAY, 27th December, at 11 o'clock.

To Omnibus Proprietors and others.

In the Insolvent Estate of Patrick Enwright.

MR. H. D. COCKBURN has been instructed by the official assignee in the above estate to sell by auction, on WEDNESDAY, 27th December, at 11 o'clock, at his Mart, Park-street,
One 4-wheel omnibus
Three horses, harness, &c.
Terms, cash.

Seasonable Drapery, Manchester Goods, Clothing, &c., &c.

Just landed ex Nourmahal, Walter Hood, and Naomi.

THURSDAY, 28th,
FRIDAY, 29th,
At 11 o'clock each day.

MESSRS. CHAS. MOORE and CO. have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Rooms, Pitt-street, on the above days,
Several large consignments seasonable drapery, Manchester goods, clothing, &c., &c., just landed.
Terms, liberal.

COLONIAL WINES.

Auction Sale, at Oatlands, near Parramatta.

Bettington's celebrated Verdelho
Ditto Ditto Claret.

To Wine and Spirit Merchants, Connoisseurs, and others.

Preliminary Notice.

MR. W. DEAN has been favoured with instructions from W. Bettington, Esq., to sell by auction, at Oatlands, near Parramatta, on THURSDAY, 28th instant,
The whole of his stock of choice wines, including about 2000 gallons Verdelho, claret, &c.
Also, at same time,
A pair of splendid carriage horses (light bay).
Intending purchasers are informed that arrangement have been made for a vehicle to meet the train which arrives at Parramatta at 11 o'clock.
Terms at sale.

WEDNESDAY, 27th December.

By order of the Trustees in the Assigned Estate of George Neal, Balmain.

☞ The entire remaining Stock-in-trade in the above estate.

To Ironmongers
To Oil and Colour Men
To Dealers and others.

HENRY CHATTO and CO. have received instructions from the Trustees in the assigned estate of George Neal to sell by auction, at their Rooms, on WEDNESDAY, 27th December, at 11 o'clock,
The entire remaining stock-in-trade in the above estate, comprising—
Manila, coir, and Bengal rope
Roping and seaming twine
Carriage and door mats
Electroplated ware, cutlery
Holloware, well and galvanised iron buckets
Grates and register stoves
Ewbank's zinc, wire and copper nails
Spades, shovels, and picks
Brooms, scrubbing brushes
Knife boards, bellows
Coal scuttles and scoops, cash-weights
Fenders, sledge hammers
Furnace doors, drain gratings
Garden rakes, hasps and staples
Ashpans, masons' and caulking mallets
Chisels, screws, locks, latches
Bolts, bell-pulls, hammers
Saws, compasses, planes
Hoes, lamps, files, tacks
Avery's scales and weights
Bedsteads, nursery guards
Carpentering tools, wedges
Trowels, truck and barrow wheels
Window glass, B. M. teapots
Gridirons, sad-irons
Oil vats, painted oil show cans
Stockholm tar, varnish
Oils, white lead, green, blue, and red paints
Emerald green, lamp black
Amber, ultramarine blue
Chamois skins.
And every requisite for conducting a large ironmongery business.
☞ The above will be sold without the slightest reserve.
Terms, cash.

On an early Day,

PERFUMERY.

Now landing.

HENRY CHATTO and CO. have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Rooms, on an early day,
An invoice of choice perfumery, now landing.
☞ Further particulars in a future issue.
Terms at sale.

To Furniture Dealers, Shopkeepers, and others.

MESSRS. LISTER and BARNETT have received instructions to sell by auction, THIS DAY, Saturday, at half-past 10 o'clock sharp, on the premises, 86, Market-street East, lately occupied by Mr. Gaffney,
A quantity of household furniture, consisting of chairs, tables, bedding, &c. Also, the whole of the shop fixtures.
Terms, cash. No reserve.

On SATURDAY, December 23rd, at half-past 10 o'clock.

At the Old Bank of Australasia.

To Parties Furnishing.

Useful Household Furniture and Effects
Brilliant-toned Trichord Pianoforte
Very elegant Drawing-room Suite
Glass, China, Elegant Vases
Electro-plate, and Sundries.

MESSRS. BRADLEY and NEWTON have been favoured with instructions to sell by auction, at their Rooms, 239, George-street, THIS DAY, December 23rd, at half-past 10 o'clock,
Very superior household furniture and effects.
Terms, cash.
The above are on view.

To Parties Furnishing, and others.

MESSRS. BRADLEY and NEWTON have received instructions to sell by auction, at 2 o'clock, THIS DAY, at No. 42, Palmer-street, Woolloomooloo,
The whole of the household furniture, consisting of
Chests drawers
Oval tables
Fenders and irons
Brussels carpet, &c.
Terms, cash.

Preliminary Notice.

At the Old Bank of Australasia, on an early day.

Highly Important Sale by Auction of
93 Cases Magnificent English Manufactured Furniture and Framework,
Now landing ex Nourmahal, from London.

MESSRS. BRADLEY and NEWTON have been favoured with instructions to sell by auction, at their Rooms, 239, George-street, as soon as landed,
A magnificent shipment of English manufactured furniture, from one of the best London houses.
Terms at sale.
Full particulars will be published.

Preliminary Notice.

At the Residence of his Honor the late Mr. Justice Wise, Edgecliff Road, on an early day.

Highly Important Sale by Auction of
Valuable Household Furniture and Effects
Handsome Barouche for one or two horses
Horse, Silver-Mounted Harness, &c.
☞ Full particulars of which will be published.

MESSRS. BRADLEY and NEWTON have been favoured with instructions to sell by auction, on an early day,
Valuable household furniture, horse
Carriage, silver-mounted harness, &c., &c.
Terms, cash.
Catalogues of the above will be issued.

FRAMED ENGRAVINGS.

To Stationers
To Printsellers
And others.

JOHN G. COHEN will sell, at the Bank Auction Rooms, on THURSDAY, the 28th December,
Just landed ex Cindrella,
3 cases FRAMED ENGRAVINGS,
Viz.,
Last Supper, Alexandra, Kars, Pirates
Christianity, Cromwell's Daughter
Coming of Age, Noah's Sacrifice, &c.
Terms at sale.

FORD'S CELEBRATED GLASSWARE
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Important
To Glassware Buyers
To Country Storekeepers
To Shippers
And others.

*** Comprising an excellent assortment.

Just landed ex Naomi.

JOHN G. COHEN has been favoured with instructions from Messrs. Gilchrist, Watt, and Co., to sell, at the Bank Auction Rooms, on FRIDAY, the 29th December,
Invoice of Ford's celebrated glassware, viz.,
Cut wines, tumblers, caraffes, and tops
Ditto champagnes, hocks, liqueurs
Ditto decanters, salts, quart jugs
White parian butters, various designs
Cruet stands, revolving and stationary, 3, 4, and 5 hole
Bronze lanterns, globes and chimneys
Confection jars and covers, ornaments, moons, tall S. W. tumblers, shades, &c.
Terms at sale.

ELEGANT MARBLE MANTEL-PIECES.
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Highly Important—
To Builders
To Contractors
To Marble Masons and others.

Just landed, ex Naomi.

JOHN G. COHEN has been favoured with instructions to sell, at the Bank Auction Rooms, on FRIDAY, 29th December,
10 packages elegant marble mantel-pieces.
Terms at sale.

Fancy Toys. Fancy Toys. Fancy Toys.

Salvage Stock from the late Fire at Mr. Davis's Civet Cat Toyshop, King-street,
For Sale by Auction, at the Exchange Auction Rooms, THIS MORNING, Saturday, the 23rd instant,
Time, half-past 10 o'clock sharp.
By order of the Insurance Offices.

To Fancy Warehousemen
To Dealers
To Private Families, and others.
Just in time for Christmas.

FOTHERINGHAM and MULLEN have received instructions from the Insurance Offices to sell by auction, at their Exchange Auction Rooms, No. 273, George-street, THIS (Saturday) MORNING, the 23rd instant, at half-past 10 o'clock prompt,
Salvage stock from the late fire at Mr. Davis's Civet Cat Toyshop, King-street.
Terms, cash.

The Wreck of the Schooner Minerva.
On account of whom it may concern.

THURSDAY, 4th January, 1866.

L. E. THRELKELD and CO. have been instructed to sell by auction, at the City Mart, 362, George-street, Sydney, on THURSDAY, 4th January, at 11,
The wreck of the schooner Minerva, as it now lies stranded inside the break of the Tweed River, together with all the stores, rigging, gear, sails, &c., saved from the wreck, and now in charge of the senior constable of police.
The Minerva was a vessel of 70 tons register, coppered and copper fastened, and drew, when loaded, 6 feet 6. She was wrecked on the 26th November, at low tide, and lies in smooth water.
All particulars can be ascertained on application to the auctioneers, 362, George-street, Sydney, where also a rough sketch of the vessel's position may be seen.
Terms, cash.

Groceries
Oilmen's Stores
Teas
Sugars.
First Sale of the Year.

THURSDAY, 4th January, 1866.

Highly Important.
Preliminary announcement of extensive unreserved sale of
General Groceries
Assorted Oilmen's Stores
Provisions, &c.

To Merchants, Wholesale and Retail Grocers, Country Buyers, Shippers, and the Trade generally.

L. E. THRELKELD and CO. have been instructed to sell by auction, on THURSDAY, 4th January, 1866, at their enlarged rooms, City Mart, 362, George-street,
Invoices groceries, oilmen's stores, and provisions
Ex late arrivals, and the balances of several shipments of tea, sugar, &c.
Detailed particulars will be duly published.
Terms at sale.

In the Estate of Frederick Mader.

By Order of the Official Assignee.

T. W. BOWDEN will sell by auction, at the Land Sale Rooms, 154, Pitt-street, on THURSDAY next, the 28th of December, at 11 o'clock,
The uncollected book debts in the estate of Mr. Frederick Mader, a list of which will be exhibited at the time of sale.
Terms, cash.

HONEYSUCKLE POINT, NEAR DOLL'S POINT, GEORGE'S RIVER.

T. W. BOWDEN will sell by auction, at the Land Sale Rooms, 154, Pitt-street, on THURSDAY, 28th of December, at 11 o'clock,
A farm of 140 acres, bounded on the west by a measured portion of 50 acres and Government land, commencing at a stake in the bank of George's River; on the north by a line bearing east to the shores of Botany Bay; and on the east and south by the waters of Botany Bay and George's River to the aforesaid stake, being George Paisley's grant in 1838.
☞ This land would make a fine suburban property, and is well adapted for an orangery.
Title, good.—Terms, easy.

A BRICK-BUILT COTTAGE, ST. LEONARDS, Near the EPISCOPALIAN CHURCH.

T. W. BOWDEN will sell by auction, at the Land Sale Rooms, 154, Pitt-street, on THURSDAY, the 28th of December, at 11 o'clock,
A five-roomed brick-built cottage, known as Mr. Joseph Gerrard's, situated in the rear of the English Church and grounds, having three frontages, verandah in front and rear, garden, good well of water; lately let at £20 per year, but now may be entered upon by the purchaser.
Title good—Terms easy.

FOUR ACRES 11 PERCHES AT COOGEE, Known as MADDEN'S MARKET GARDEN.

T. W. BOWDEN will sell by auction, at the Land Sale Rooms, 154, Pitt-street, on THURSDAY, the 28th December, at 11 o'clock,
A fine plot of garden land, well watered, immediately below Bishopthorpe, the residence of the Bishop of Sydney, being lot 51 on the Government map, bounded on the north by the property of E. Kent, Esq., and south by land belonging to Mr. W. J. Lennon. It is bounded on the east by Arden-street, which separates it from Mr. J. Thompson's plot of 5 acres 10 perches.
Title, a grant from the Crown to Mr. Madden.

Three new Houses in Palmer-street, between Burton-street and the South Head Road, known as SMART'S-BUILDINGS.

T. W. BOWDEN will sell by auction, at the Land Sale Rooms, 154, Pitt-street, on THURSDAY, the 28th of December, at 11 o'clock,
Three newly-erected brick houses, on stone foundations, forming a neat terrace, with sunk areas, iron railing in front, balcony above, brick walls in front and rear separating each house, back entrance, water laid on, and good drainage.
On the basement is the kitchen and a sitting-room, with two or three pantries and colonial oven.
On the ground floor is a passage and two rooms, neatly finished, with cedar mantelpieces and register grates.
On the first-floor is a sitting or bedroom in front, the width of the house, with French window opening into the balcony, which has fine views that cannot be shut out. On this floor is another bedroom, making, in the whole, six rooms, with several convenient arrangements for the comfort of the tenants. The roofs are slated. The present tenants pay 25s. per week. The situation is healthy, pleasant, and convenient.
Title satisfactory.
Terms at sale.
To view, apply to Mr. Smart, occupying one of the houses nearest to the South Head Road.

A PUBLIC-HOUSE, IN MILLER-STREET, NORTH SHORE, known as THE BILLY BLUE INN.

T. W. BOWDEN is instructed to sell by auction, to close a mortgage, at the Land Sale Rooms, 154, Pitt-street, on THURSDAY, the 28th December, at 11 o'clock,
The well-known and long-established Inn, at St. Leonards, on the main road from the Steamers' Wharf through the town, called BILLY BLUE'S, after the old Commodore, and now in good repair, and unoccupied.
The land has a frontage to Miller-street of 82 feet by increased breadth at the rear.
Lots 4 and 5 of this estate form a garden adjoining the inn, and will be sold with it in one lot. Back entrance from William street.
The house is built of stone, with shingled roof, two stories high, balcony in front.
On the ground floor is a spacious room, the width of the building, with passage leading to the rear, and a room on each side of the passage.
The rooms on the first floor, which open on to the balcony, have fine views of the harbour and city of Sydney.
Kitchen and servants' room on the ground floor.
In the yard is a coachhouse, stable, and well of water.
Title satisfactory.

FREEHOLD LAND, UPPER PADDINGTON.

Piper-street, North and South
Piper Road, ditto
Moncur-street, West Side
Wallis-street
John-street
South Head Road.

T. W. BOWDEN is instructed by the executors of the late Mr. Charles Scott to sell by auction, at the Land Sale Rooms, 154, Pitt-street, on THURSDAY, the 28th of December, at 11 o'clock, to close up the estate if possible,
The few unsold allotments remaining from previous sales, the most of which have increased in value from the large sums spent in buildings on the neighbouring lots by previous purchasers. Several houses are now in course of erection.
The auctioneer will fully explain the position of the portions still for sale.
Title, under Torrens' Act.
Terms, easy.

FREEHOLD VILLA ALLOTMENTS, WAVERLEY.

Preliminary Notice.

T. W. BOWDEN is favoured with instructions to sell by auction, on the Ground, on TUESDAY, the 16th of January, 1866, at 11 o'clock,
Seven beautifully situated villa allotments, containing about 1 ACRE EACH, being subdivisions of the block of land well known in the neighbourhood as Mr. W. B. ALLEN'S; bounded on the west by the main road through Waverley to Coogee and Randwick; on the south by Birrell-street, which divides it from the residence of Captain Finch and the highly improved properties of Mr. E. Vickery. On the east it is bounded by the road called Botany-street, between Mr. Madden's and Mr. James Vickery's properties, both in the immediate vicinity. On the south it is bounded by other lands lately forming part of the same block.
The survey for subdivision is now in progress, so that in a few days purchasers may choose with certainty the spot they most approve of. In the meantime their attention is requested to the whole. Part has been cultivated, and some fine Norfolk Island pines and other full grown trees will be found on several of the lots.
The whole is abundantly watered.
From the eastern end of the block buildings might be erected that would command views of the ocean for 50 or 60 miles north and south, eastward the horizon would alone limit the view, while on the west all the county of Cumberland is overlooked, backed up by the Blue Mountain ranges.
The allotments are left large to ensure the erection of first-class villas, the site being admirably adapted for that purpose, and the attention of the surveyor particularly diverted to that object.
A large Plan of the block on view at the Auction Rooms, 154, Pitt-street.

A FARM of 41 ACRES, with IMPROVEMENTS, on the MACLEAY RIVER, between FREDERICKTON and KEMPSEY.

T. W. BOWDEN will sell by auction, at the Land Sale Rooms, 154, Pitt-street, on THURSDAY, January 11th, at 11 o'clock,
A valuable agricultural farm of 41 acres, on the banks of the Macleay River, about 9 miles below Kempsey, and 4 miles below Frederickton. About 30 acres have been cultivated, producing crops of maize from 80 to 90 bushels to the acre. A fine substantial brick cottage will be found on the premises, containing four large rooms, all finished with cedar doors, skirting, &c., manufactured in Sydney; hall through the building, verandah all round; plasterers' work well executed in keeping with the joiners' and carpenters' work. A comfortable detached kitchen, garden with fruit-trees, sundry out-houses.
The present proprietor, Mr. S. Verge, will show the property to intending purchasers. It stands well for a public-house or general store, being at the junction of the main roads—one leading to Kempsey, the other to Clybucca Creek. Securely enclosed to keep out cattle.

LITTLE COOGEE BAY.

Dr. DICKSON'S 20-ACRE FARM.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

T. W. BOWDEN is instructed to sell by auction, on a day to be fixed in a future advertisement,
The property at Little Coogee, bounded on the east by the Bay and J. Holmes's land, originally granted to W. C. Greville, but lately occupied by Dr. Dickson.
The proprietor has given instructions for a survey and subdivision into suitable blocks for the erection of marine villas. The coast scenery being very beautiful, and the situation good for the citizens and others desirous of living near the sea side, and avail themselves of sea bathing.
When the survey and plan are completed, further particulars will be given.

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SALES BY AUCTION.

TOLLS.

MUDBANK and COOK'S RIVER ROAD.

Day of Sale, SATURDAY, 23rd December.

F. E. RISHWORTH has received instructions from the trustees to sell by public auction, THIS AFTERNOON, the 23rd December, at half-past 2 o'clock precisely, at the TOLL-BAR, WATERLOO,
The LEASE for twelve months (from 1st January to 31st December, 1866) of the MUDBANK and COOK'S RIVER ROAD TOLL-BAR,
Situate near Hinchcliffe's (late Hayes') woolwashing establishment, Botany Road.
Terms and conditions at sale.

In the Sydney District Court.
GEORGE BLAXLAND ROGERS, plaintiff, and CHRISTOPHER CHARLES THURSTON, and JANE his wife, defendants.

THIS DAY (Saturday), the 23rd day of December, 1865, at the Court-house, Macquarie-street, at noon, pursuant to a writ of fieri facias, issued in this cause, unless the same be previously satisfied,
All those two several parcels of land situate in James-street, near Palmer-street, Sydney (of which further particulars will be given at the time of sale, and which may in the meantime be obtained from E. J. Cory, Esq., the plaintiff's attorney), or so much thereof which the said defendants, or either of them, are seised of or entitled to, or which he, they, or either of them can, either at law or in equity, assign or dispose of, will be sold by public auction.
Dated this 9th day of December, 1865.
GEORGE S. YARNTON, Registrar.

In the Sydney District Court.
STEPHEN BUTTS, Plaintiff; and JAMES GOODSIR, Defendant.

ON SATURDAY, the twenty-third day of December, 1865, at noon, at the Court-house, Macquarie-street, pursuant to a writ of FIERI FACIAS, issued in this cause, unless the same be previously satisfied,
All that parcel of land in Cumberland-place, near George-street, Sydney, bounded and on the north by the property of Mr. T. Watson, on the south by the property of T. Jeffrey; on the east by the intended line of new George-street; and on the west by Cumberland-street, and on which is erected a commodious dwelling house, or so much thereof as the said defendant is seised of or entitled to, or which he can either at law or in equity, assign or dispose of, will be sold by public auction.
Dated this 16th day of December, 1865.
GEORGE S. YARNTON, Registrar.

GOVERNMENT LAND SALE.

THURSDAY and FRIDAY, the 28th and 29th December.
At the Rooms, Pitt-street, commencing each day at 11 o'clock.

COWPER WHARF
WOOLLOOMOOLOO BAY.
Reclaimed land adjoining and in the immediate vicinity of the above.

CIRCULAR QUAY.
3 ALLOTMENTS adjoining the above, at the north-easterly extension of Macquarie-street
2 ALLOTMENTS, Pitt-street, Circular Quay,
and
1 ALLOTMENT, Abercrombie-place, Parramatta-street.

LAND, PITTWATER and MIDDLE HARBOUR.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions from the Honorable the Minister for Lands to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on the above dates,
The following allotments—
On THURSDAY, 28th December, at 11 o'clock.
WOOLLOOMOOLOO BAY.

Lot.	Sec.	Frontage. ft. in.	Upset Price.
2	1	26 0	£3 per foot.
3	"	26 0	3 "
4	"	26 0	3 "
5	"	26 0	3 "
6	2	25 0	8 "
7	"	25 0	7 "
8	"	25 6	6 "
9	"	25 6	6 "
10	"	25 6	6 "
11	"	25 6	6 "
3	3	27 0	6 "
4	"	27 0	6 "
5	"	27 0	6 "
6	"	27 0	6 "
7	"	27 0	6 "
8	"	27 0	6 "
9	"	27 0	7 "
2	4	27 0	4 "
5	"	27 0	4 "
6	"	27 0	4 "
7	"	27 0	4 "
8	"	35 0	5 "
9	"	35 0	4 "
2	5	35 0	5 "
3	"	25 0	4 "
4	"	25 0	4 "
5	"	25 6	4 "
6	"	25 6	4 "

PITT-STREET, CIRCULAR QUAY.

Lot.	Sec.	Frontage. ft. in.	Upset Price.
4	100	19 11	£15 per foot.
5	"	15 11	15 "

ABERCROMBIE-PLACE, PARRAMATTA-STREET.

Lot.	Frontage.	Upset Price.
15	8¼ feet	£10 per foot.

PITTWATER.

Lot.	Area.	Upset Price.
3	40 acres	£1 per acre.

MIDDLE HARBOUR.

Lot.	Area. a. r. p.	Upset Price.
1	51 3 0	£1 per acre.
2	58 2 0	1 "
3	58 2 0	1 "

On FRIDAY, 29th December, at 11 o'clock.

WOOLLOOMOOLOO BAY.

Lot.	Sec.	Frontage. ft. in.	Upset Price.
1	6	35 0	£5 per foot.
2	"	35 0	4 "
3	"	27 0	3 "
4	"	27 0	3 "
5	"	33 5	3 "
1	9	30 0	3 "
2	"	30 0	3 "
3	"	24 1½	3 "
4	"	27 0	3 "
5	"	27 0	3 "
6	"	27 0	3 "
7	"	33 4	3 "
3	11	25 6	3 "
4	"	25 6	3 "
5	"	25 6	3 "
6	"	25 6	3 "
7	"	25 6	3 "
8	"	40 9	5 "
9	"	40 9	3 10 "
6	13	24 3	5 "
7	"	23 11½	6 "
1	14	40 6	5 "
2	"	40 6	4 "
3	"	24 0	4 "
4	"	24 0	4 "

CIRCULAR QUAY.

Lot.	Sec.	Frontage. ft. in.	
36	106	30 0	£10 per foot.
37	"	30 0	10 "
38	"	30 0	10 "

PLANS may be inspected at the Rooms, Pitt-street, and lithograph copies obtained at the offices of the Surveyor-General.

FIRST-CLASS RESIDENCE
and
ASSEMBLY ROOMS,
ELIZABETH-STREET, NORTH,
between King and Hunter streets,
suitable for Barristers' Chambers, Solicitors' Offices, Masonic or Odd Fellows' Hall, School, Private Hotel, or any business requiring extensive accommodation, and a large lofty public hall, with gallery, &c., in a central and valuable position in the city.

CLARK'S ASSEMBLY ROOMS and PRIVATE RESIDENCE, have 27 feet frontage to Elizabeth-street North, near Hunter-street, they are substantially built of brick and stone, and have considerable accommodation, and a spacious lofty public room.

FOR PEREMPTORY SALE.
BY ORDER OF THE FIRST MORTGAGEE.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on MONDAY, 29th January, at 11 o'clock,
The above-described well-known valuable city property, fuller particulars of which will be duly announced.
TITLE, unquestionable.
TERMS—One-half of the purchase money can remain secured on the property.

On FRIDAY, 29th December,
Immediately after the Government Land Sale.

VALUABLE BUILDING SITES at the junction of MACQUARIE AND ALBERT STREETS,
and extending to the
CIRCULAR QUAY;
also allotments fronting
ELIZABETH-STREET NORTH,
near the Custom House.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 29th December, at 11 o'clock,
The following choice City lots:—
LOT 5, SECTION 106.—30 feet frontage to Macquarie-street, and 68 feet 8 inches to Albert-street
LOT 6, SECTION 106.—30 feet to Macquarie-street, depth 68 feet 8 inches
LOT 7, SECTION 106.—30 feet to Macquarie-street, extending to the Circular Quay.
LOT 25, SECTION 104.—30 feet to Elizabeth-street North, depth about 90 feet, extending to a lane at the rear.
LOT 26, SECTION 104.—30 feet to Elizabeth-street, depth about 90 feet, extending to a lane at the rear.
Plan on view at the Rooms.

POSITIVE UNRESERVED SALE.

To Close a Partnership Account.

WHEATLEIGH.

A FIRST-CLASS VILLA RESIDENCE,
Beautifully and most eligibly situated, on the high land above the
PRETTY VILLAGE OF ST. LEONARDS,
about two miles from
MILSON'S OR BLUE'S FERRY,
NORTH SHORE.
Together with the extensive Grounds, comprising about
EIGHT ACRES,
tastefully laid out as Orchard, Orangery, Vineyard, Lawns, Shrubbery, &c., known as the Property and former Residence of the late Mr. James Dean, and now occupied by JOHN WHITTON, Esq.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions to sell by public auction, WITHOUT RESERVE, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, MONDAY, 15th January, at 11 o'clock,
The above celebrated and delightfully situated
VILLA RESIDENCE and GROUNDS.
THE HOUSE, which was erected under the able superintendence of Mr. Mansfield, is built of cut stone, surrounded on three sides by a flagged verandah, 9 feet wide, supported by ornamental iron columns. The following rooms are entered into from a hall floored with tesselated marble pavement,
DRAWING-ROOM, 20 x 16
DINING-ROOM, 20 x 16
both these rooms are highly-finished, with elaborate cornices and centres, bay windows, French lights, and rich and extremely choice massive marble mantelpieces and grates.
BEDROOM, 20 x 16
Ditto, 19 x 16.
both of which have marble mantelpieces, and are otherwise well finished. They have entrances into a most complete bath and dressing room floored with chequered marble pavement, and fitted with a very luxurious bath of enamelled slate, supplied with HOT and COLD WATER.
On this floor there are also
A library
Butler's pantry and china closet.
On the UPPER FLOOR are
Four well-ventilated bedrooms.
The OUT-BUILDINGS are attached, and form two sides of an enclosed courtyard.
They consist of
A kitchen, 18 x 15, fitted with English range, cupboards, drawers, &c.
A second kitchen or scullery, fitted with slate troughs and drain, supplied with water
Stone dairy and larder
Laundry, with slate trough and drain, supplied with hot and cold water.
Store, with underground wine cellar of solid masonry.
Wood and coal houses, &c.
In this courtyard is a large underground reservoir capable of containing about
30,000 GALLONS OF WATER.
A powerful pump in the laundry forces this water into a large cistern on the roof, which is connected with and supplies the bathroom, scullery, laundry, and out-offices.
A short distance from the house is
THE STABLE YARD,
containing a range of stone buildings, comprising 2-stall stable, coach-house, and harness-room (all stone-paved), with large loft and groom's room above; attached on one side are cowhouse, pigsties, &c. There is also a large fowl-house, yard, and duck-pond.
These premises are supplied with water by an excellent well in the stable yard, also from two iron tanks receiving [illegible]
The whole of the grounds, [illegible] in forming them in an elegant manner into shrubberies, trenched orchard, and orangery, planted with selected trees all just coming into bearing; vineyard of the choicest vines, grass paddock, &c.
THE VIEW from the house is over verdant lawns, intersected by charmingly arranged gravelled walks, flourishing well-kept garden of the choicest plants, with
FAR SPREADING WOODLANDS AROUND,
the whole scene being one of
SECLUDED LOVELINESS and BEAUTY.
A running brook lined with masonry flows through the lower portion of the orchard, and could, at a small expense, be made into a
SHEET OF ORNAMENTAL WATER,
and form a striking object in the
PICTURESQUE AND ATTRACTIVE PANORAMA.
☞ This delightful suburban property is in the market for
UNRESERVED SALE,
and the especial attention of capitalists is directed to it.
The purchaser will secure a faithfully built, exquisitely finished villa residence, with every family comfort and convenience; a perfect model of completeness, surrounded by well-contrived grounds, which are a credit to the designer, whose plans have been carefully executed.
CARDS TO VIEW may be obtained on application at the Rooms.
TERMS—Half the purchase money may remain secured by mortgage on the property.

FOR POSITIVE SALE.
To close a partnership account.

FIRST-CLASS AGRICULTURAL AND GRAZING ESTATES.

BRAIDWOOD.

ABOUT 9245 ACRES
OF RICH AGRICULTURAL AND GRAZING LAND,
comprising the MOUNT ELRINGTON ESTATE, including STORK and the TOWNSHIP OF CHARLESTON, with extensive and valuable improvements, having about three miles frontage to the Shoalhaven River, distant about twelve miles from the town of Braidwood, and about six miles from the MAJOR'S CREEK DIGGINGS.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, Sydney, on MONDAY, 15th JANUARY, 1866, at 11 o'clock,
The following well-known valuable country estates, situate near the TOWN OF BRAIDWOOD, in one lot, comprising MOUNT ELRINGTON and STORK ESTATES.
Mount Elrington comprises an area of about 6685 acres, on the banks of the Shoalhaven River, having about three miles river frontage, about twelve miles distant from Braidwood.
The improvements consist of a substantially erected family residence, built of stone and brick, containing nine rooms, kitchen, and store; also, a barn, men's dwellings, stockyard, and numerous outbuildings. A garden of about half-an-acre surrounds the house, and a short distance from it is an orchard of about two acres.
About 300 acres are cleared, enclosed into paddocks, and are laid down in rich clover grass. There is also a grass paddock of about 500 acres and another of about 1000 acres, the latter about two-thirds enclosed.
On this portion of the estate is the well-known TOWNSHIP of CHARLESTOWN, containing about 500 acres, on the banks of the river, about 300 acres of which have been sold at prices ranging from £5 to £10 per acre.
STORK contains 2560 acres, about seven miles from Mount Elrington. It is unimproved, and distant from the Shoalhaven River about a mile, adjoining Nithdale, the well known property of H. Wallace, Esq.
☞ It is scarcely necessary to make a single comment on these properties, which are now in the market for bona fide sale. Their reputation and value, and their favourable position, in a rapidly advancing district, are acknowledged by all. They are within a few miles of a large and important town, and in the centre of an extensive gold-bearing country, where, for stock and the products of agriculture generally, there is a certain market, and, what is most important, the locality is near regular communication by water carriage with the metropolis.
There are on these estates great facilities for the fattening of stock, securing to the grazier advantages which can scarcely be found elsewhere, while, at the same time, there is sufficient good agricultural land for the production of cereal crops, and a demand from the population in the district, which must indemnify the grower from all chance of loss.
Capitalists and others seeking first-class country investments are particularly invited to inspect the estates prior to sale, and every facility for so doing will be afforded on application to Mr. Stewart, on the estate.
TITLE UNQUESTIONABLE.—Full particulars of which may be obtained on application to Messrs. BILLYARD and CURTIS, Solicitors, Hunter-street, Sydney.
Plans are on view at the Rooms, where also further information may be obtained.

THURSDAY, 28th December.
Immediately after the Government Land Sale.

COLLEGE-STREET, HYDE PARK.

FAMILY RESIDENCE, No. 28, COLLEGE-STREET, between Francis-street and the South Head Road.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions from the proprietor to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on THURSDAY, 28th December, at 11 o'clock,
All that piece of land having a frontage of 25 FEET TO COLLEGE-STREET, with a depth of 86 feet, extending to a wide lane at the rear leading out of Francis-street, on which is that two-story brick-built house, No. 28, COLLEGE-STREET, with balcony and verandah in front, containing lobby, 7 apartments and kitchen, large yard, stable, and coach-house, &c., at the rear.
☞ Comment on this city property is unnecessary. Its eligible central elevated position, opposite Hyde Park, will commend it to the attention of buyers seeking a good permanent city investment.
Plan on view at the Rooms.
Terms at sale.

COLLINGWOOD, LIVERPOOL.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

UNRESERVED SALE.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions from the mortgagee to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, Sydney, on MONDAY, 8th January next, at 11 o'clock,
All that parcel of land, containing by admeasurement 1 acre 2 roods and 25 perches, more or less, situated on the COLLINGWOOD ESTATE, LIVERPOOL, together with the COLLINGWOOD STEAM MILL erected thereon; also,
All that parcel of land, containing by admeasurement 1 rood and 1 perch, being part of the well-known COLLINGWOOD ESTATE, LIVERPOOL.
☞ The above property is well situated for BUSINESS PURPOSES, and is only a short distance from the RAILWAY STATION.
Full particulars as to title, &c., may be obtained on application to T. E. Weedon, Esq., solicitor, King-street.
Terms at sale.

FOR PEREMPTORY SALE.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

OSTERLEY, HUNTER RIVER.

This celebrated valuable Estate comprises 315 ACRES, a large portion of which consists of RICH CLEARED ALLUVIAL LAND, on the banks of the LOWER HUNTER RIVER, between MORPETH and RAYMOND TERRACE, together with all the extensive improvements, including the commodious highly-finished recently erected Family Mansion OSTERLEY HOUSE, with orangery, vineyard, and grounds; a first-class substantially built STEAM FLOUR MILL, with superior engine, machinery, and gear, in perfect working order; a STEAMING-DOWN APPARATUS, a MANAGER'S RESIDENCE, slaughter-houses, piggeries, stock-yards, labourers' dwellings, &c., forming one of the most COMPLETE ESTABLISHMENTS IN THE COLONIES.
OSTERLEY is bounded on the north by Church and School lands; on the west by one of the estates of John Eales, Esq.; on the east by the property of J. Parnell, Esq.; and on the south by the River Hunter. It is proposed to offer the whole for positive sale, in ONE LOT, or in THREE LOTS (as surveyed and subdivided by Mr. Surveyor Reuss) to suit purchasers.

LOT 1.—[illegible] ACRES, with OSTERLEY HOUSE, the FAMILY MANSION, lately erected by E. HICKEY, Esq., including also the beautiful Orangery, Orchard, Grounds, and other numerous and extensive improvements.

LOT 2.—51 ACRES of good Alluvial Land, with COMFORTABLE FAMILY RESIDENCE, and two semi-detached VERANDAH COTTAGES.

LOT 3.—The first-class, solidly-built 4-story STEAM FLOUR MILL, with engine boilers, machinery, and gear (by Messrs. Joyce and Co., Greenwich), in good working order, together with 7½ ACRES of LAND, having wharf, &c., on the banks of the River Hunter.

TITLE unquestionable. Full particulars can be obtained on application to Messrs. WANT and WANT, Solicitors, Pitt-street.

Preliminary Notice.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions from the MORTGAGEES to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, Sydne on MONDAY, 15th January, at 11 o'clock,
The whole of that choice [illegible]
IN ONE OR MORE LOTS, to suit purchasers; fuller particulars of which will be duly announced in a future advertisement.
Plan on view at the Rooms.

MARANOA EAST, QUEENSLAND.

The TOOLOOMBILLA STATION, situate on Apple-tree Creek, together with 24,557 (more or less) SHEEP, and 500 (more or less) CATTLE.

Terms at sale.

MORT and CO. have received instructions to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, at 11 o'clock on TUESDAY, 6th February,
That very choice sheep property known as TOOLOOMBILLA, situate on Apple-tree Creek, and comprising 7 blocks of 25 square miles each. The country is open and undulating, and abounds in MYALL and SALT BUSH, and is particularly adapted for fattening.
The improvements comprise manager's house, substantially built, with two apartments, detached kitchen, and servants' room, store room, wool shed, with shearing berths and yards, lever wool press, stock-yard, and draughting yard, large fenced paddock for horses and working bullocks, shepherds' huts, yards, hurdles, &c.
With the Tooloombilla Station will be sold—
6298 (more or less) ewes, 1 to 3 years old
4773 (more or less) ewes, 4 years and upwards
6648 (more or less) wethers, 1 to 3 years old
6227 (more or less) weaners
611 (more or less) rams, mixed ages.
24,557 (more or less) sheep,
And
500 (more or less) head of mixed CATTLE.
22 draught and saddle horses, with drays, spring-carts, &c., Stores, &c., to be taken by the purchaser at a valuation.
☞ This is a particularly good station, and is recommended to the attention of all who are in search of a good PASTORAL INVESTMENT.

LEICHHARDT DISTRICT.
QUEENSLAND.

SPLENDID PASTORAL PROPERTY,
known as
PURBROOK DOWNS,
Situate on Clematis Creek, and other heads of the Comet River, embracing SIX BLOCKS of FIRST-CLASS SHEEP COUNTRY, adjoining the well-known PLANET DOWNS and ALBINIA DOWNS STATIONS, and within about 170 MILES from Rockhampton, together with
16,000 SHEEP, more or less, and
400 HEAD OF CATTLE.

Terms;—One-third cash, the residue at one and two years, with ten per cent. interest secured on the stock and stations by mortgage.

MORT and CO. have received instructions from the proprietors, Messrs. Miller and Hutton, to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on TUESDAY, 6th February,
That splendid pastoral property,
PURBROOK DOWNS.
The run is first-class sheep country, consisting of large plains of open iron-bark ridges and box forest; has abundance of salt bush and herbs, and is well watered.
ESTIMATED GRAZING CAPABILITIES, 35,000 SHEEP.
The permanent waterholes are distributed over the run in very suitable localities, and give great facilities for the convenient and economical working of the stations.
The improvements comprise—
A good five-roomed shingled cottage, with kitchen and store, meat store, and other buildings; shingled woolshed, with lever press, and drafting yards, men's huts, good three-rail paddocks, stock yard, milking yard, &c.; seven sheep station huts, with yards and hurdles, all in first-rate working order.
With the Purbrook Downs Station will be sold the following sheep and cattle:—
6,600, more or less, maiden ewes, ewes, and upwards
4,100, ditto, wethers, 2 years and upwards
700, ditto, ditto, hoggetts
4,360, ditto, weaners
200, ditto, rams.
15,960, more or less.
Also,
400, more or less, HEAD QUIET WELL-BRED CATTLE, a large number of which are broken-in as milkers.
, A team of three draught horses, cart and harness complete; stores, working horses, &c., to be taken at a valuation.
☞ This splendid run has been occupied and stocked by the present owners for the last five years, and during that period they have had ample opportunities to test its capacity for the successful rearing of sheep in all seasons, both in drought and flood; and they are prepared to assert, with the utmost confidence, that its grazing capabilities are not surpassed by any run of the same extent in the justly celebrated pastoral districts of the Comet and Nogoa rivers

TO CLOSE A PARTNERSHIP.

MARANOA DISTRICT, QUEENSLAND.

GUINARBAR or COOLEHARTER RUN, situate on the BALONNE RIVER, together with 11,950 (more or less) SHEEP, 1800 head (more or less) CATTLE, and 40 (more or less) HORSES.
Terms at sale.

MORT and CO. have received instructions to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, at 11 o'clock, on TUESDAY, 6th February,
That first-class station,
GUINARBAR or COOLEHARTER, in the Maranoa District, on the BALONNE RIVER, to which it has a large frontage. The area of the run is about 200 square miles, the boundaries being well defined, having been lately surveyed, and comprises 6 blocks, Kullingah, Currie, Gulnarbar, Gulnarbar North, Gulnarbar West, and Retro Gulnarbar.
The run is distant about 220 miles from the DALBY RAILWAY TERMINUS, and 120 miles from the proposed railway at Roma, and is in the immediate neighbourhood of Boomba Station, the property of H. Dangar, Esq., Burgerah Station, the property of R. Fitzgerald, Esq.; Moggaly Station, the property of Messrs. Holmes and Kirk; Doondie Station, the property of Messrs. Baldwin; and Mooraby Station, the property of R. Skuthorp, Esq.
The country is good, sound, and healthy, well adapted for sheep, consisting principally of myall and salt-bush plains, interspersed with strips of timber.
ESTIMATED GRAZING CAPABILITIES 24,000 SHEEP and 2500 to 3000 HEAD OF CATTLE in any season, with some water improvements on the back country.
The improvements are good and convenient, and comprise:
A new woolshed, shearers' hut, wash pool, drafting yards, &c., 9 outstations, with dog-proof yards, men's huts, &c.
The cattle yards are strong and convenient, capable of working over 3000 head of cattle. Also, 2 new outside or mustering yards.
The improvements at the homestead are a cottage with out-buildings, a good garden, 2 cultivation paddocks, one weaning paddock, and one large horse paddock.
With Gulnarbar or Cooleharban will be sold the following stock:—
1500, more or less, ewes, one year old
450, ditto, ditto, two years old
1700, ditto, ditto, four years old
1800, ditto, ditto, aged
3000, ditto, mixed weaners
3350, ditto, wethers, one to four years old
150, ditto, rams
11,950, more or less, sheep.
1800 head, more or less, CATTLE, and
40 head, more or less, HORSES.
, Two teams working bullocks, stores, one horse dray, 2 dray horses with harness complete, spring-cart, 2 spring-cart horses with harness complete, to be taken by the purchaser at a valuation.

MORT and CO., in directing attention to the above property, would state that the breeding ewes are selected from the Gourie, Talgai, and Goombarra flocks, and were culled last year. The rams are principally from Eton Vale, guaranteed to be first-class, from pure imported rams. The cattle were first put on by Mr. George Loder, and are of his stock. The bulls in the herd for the past three years are PURE DURHAM, bred by Mr. W. Lee, of Bathurst.
The country is undeniably good, and the station is in first-rate working order. As the property is in the market for the purpose of CLOSING A PARTNERSHIP, an opportunity is offered for securing a SOUND AND PROFITABLE PASTORAL INVESTMENT, which should not be lost sight of.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.

MITCHELL DISTRICT, QUEENSLAND.
The RODNEY DOWNS Station, comprising 4 Blocks, known as Rodney or Rodney Downs, Vinar, Tenterden, and Ollera, together with 10,500 more or less Sheep.

TERMS at SALE.

MORT and CO. have received instructions to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, at 11 o'clock, on TUESDAY, February 6th,
The "RODNEY DOWNS" station, in the Mitchell district, Queensland, comprising 4 blocks, called Rodney or Rodney Downs, Venar, Tenterden, and Ollera.
ESTIMATED GRAZING CAPABILITIES, 40,000 SHEEP.
The country is first-class Downs, of similar and equal character to that of the Landsborough River Co., Messrs. Rule and Lacey, and W. Landsborough, Esq., whose properties it adjoins.
With Rodney Downs will be sold the following stock:—
6,500 more or less ewes, maidens to aged
3,000 ditto [illegible]
1,000 ditto mixed weaners
10,500 more or less.
&c., to be taken by the purchaser at a valuation.
☞ The large extent of grazing capabilities, as compared with the number of stock now on the run, and the character of the country, should make this a most desirable opportunity for the purchase of a pastoral property.

LEICHHARDT DISTRICT.

POSITIVE SALE, TO CLOSE PARTNERSHIP,
That very superior Sheep Property,
REDCLIFFE RUN, with 6450 SHEEP, more or less, distant about 90 miles from Broad Sound.

TERMS:—One-fourth cash; the residue at 6, 9, and 12 months by approved bills, with bank discount added, secured upon the property.

MORT and CO. have been instructed to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, at 11 o'clock, on TUESDAY, February 6th,
That very choice sheep property known as REDCLIFFE, situate in the Leichhardt district, between the MACKENZIE and ISAACS RIVERS, and including portions of both the Northern and Southern watersheds of the Mackenzie Range. It is also watered by Pomegranate Creek and other tributaries of the Isaacs, and is in the immediate neighbourhood of Mr. Mackenzie's station, May Downs; Messrs Fyffe and Co.'s station, Wilpend; Mr. P. F. Macdonald's station, Coolumbra; and Mr. Barnkay's station, Gatton.
Redcliffe comprises six blocks of country, and consists of open, ironbark, box and sandal wood country, with plenty of salt-bush. A considerable portion of the run is rich tableland, upon which, from the nature of the country, water might easily be placed, at a comparatively small outlay, and when made secure,
ESTIMATED GRAZING CAPABILITIES OF 25,000 SHEEP.
The IMPROVEMENTS, which are all of a substantial character, comprise, at the head station, a comfortable verandah cottage, kitchen, men's huts, stockyard, drafting-yard, and a 40-acre paddock. There are six out-station huts, with dog-proof yards and the necessary hurdles.
With Redcliffe Run will be sold
2900 ewes, more or less
1050 weaners, ditto ditto
450 hoggets, ditto ditto
50 rams, more or less
2000 wethers, four years old, ditto ditto
6450 sheep, all more or less.
, Two teams of working bullocks, with drays, &c., 1 horse dray, 2 draught and 8 working horses, to be taken at a valuation.
☞ This is really a very choice run, very much understocked, and as the amount of capital necessary to purchase is not large, it is just the thing for a beginner or a small capitalist. Its proximity to water carriage is well worthy of note. It is in the market for positive sale.

LEICHHARDT DISTRICT—QUEENSLAND.

The TIERAWOOMBA RUNS, together with 4517 SHEEP, more or less.

Terms at sale.

MORT and CO. have been instructed to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, at 11 o'clock, on TUESDAY, 9th January, 1866,
That compact sheep property
THE TIERAWOOMBA RUNS,
comprising two adjoining blocks on the Tierawoomba Creek, a tributary of Funnel Creek, in the district of Leichhardt, known as TIERAWOOMBA and CARBUKKY, embracing an area of nearly
100 SQUARE MILES,
ABUNDANTLY WATERED.
They are in the neighbourhood of Fort Cooper and Collaroy Runs, within easy access of Port Mackay, and are
CAPABLE OF CARRYING ABOUT 20,000 SHEEP.
THE IMPROVEMENTS, which are new and substantially constructed, comprise a capital woolshed, 50 x 30 feet, an excellent store with room adjoining, large hut for men, horse yard, small paddock, and good American yards. There are also outstations, with yards, and about 200 hurdles.
With the Tierawoomba Runs will be sold the following sheep, according to latest return,
1927 ewes
1020 wethers and weaners
1590 lambs
4537 sheep, more or less.
, A team of bullocks, dray, 6 horses, implements, stores, &c., to be taken at a valuation.
☞ In offering this property to the public MORT and CO. would call attention to the very large grazing capabilities as compared to the quantity of stock depasturing thereon, and the very great facilities thus afforded for extending operations. The runs being in the market for positive sale, inspection is particularly invited, the auctioneers being satisfied that they will be bought a profitable investment.

DARLING DOWNS, QUEENSLAND.

That choice Station,
STONEHENGE,
situate on Canning Creek, together with
10,949 SHEEP, more or less,
100 HEAD OF CATTLE.

TERMS—One-third cash; residue, one and two years' credit.

MORT and CO. have received instructions to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, at 11 o'clock, on TUESDAY, 9th January, 1866,
THE STONEHENGE STATION, on Canning Creek, Darling Downs, in the neighbourhood of Yandilla, Tummaville, Canal Creek, and other well-known stations. It is a sound good run, well watered, and capable of carrying 12,000 sheep in all seasons.

THE IMPROVEMENTS on the head station are a comfortable Verandah Cottage Residence, shingled, floored with sawn boards, fitted with French lights and otherwise well finished. A detached Verandah Building, consisting of kitchen, store and servants' rooms, all shingled. Also a double hut meat-house, shearers' hut, all shingled; a small woolshed, with lever-press; a good stockyard, divided into four compartments, one of which is a drafting-yard fitted with gates; cultivation paddock, and a well-watered grass paddock of about 230 acres, both substantially enclosed.
There are six out-stations, with shingled hut and substantially built yard on each.
There are also lambing and temporary stations.
With Stonehenge will be sold the following Stock:—
SHEEP.
EWES.—Under 5 years .... 3385, more or less
5 years and over .. 1000 "
WETHERS.— 2 to 4 years ...... 1092 "
HOGGETS.—Mixed .... 2335 "
WEANERS.—Mixed .... 3280 "
11,092
Also,
100 HEAD OF CATTLE,
A small, quiet, well-bred herd.
, Working bullocks, dray, horses, stores, implements, &c., to be taken at a valuation.

☞ This snug squatting property is in the market for positive sale, and is well worthy the attention of beginners, or those who may desire to carry on pastoral operations with a limited amount of capital. The improvements are good, and comprise every requisite for a comfortable homestead.
The property is in the most favourite district of Queensland, and in the immediate neighbourhood of some of the very finest properties in that colony.

For Positive Sale, to close a Partnership.

KENNEDY DISTRICT, QUEENSLAND.

That famous Pastoral Property,
THE STRATHMORE RUNS,
distant only about 70 miles from Port Denison, together with
17,104 FIRST-CLASS YOUNG SHEEP, and
500 HEAD OF CATTLE.

TERMS—one-third cash, the residue upon liberal credit.

Day of Sale, TUESDAY, 13th March, 1866.

MORT and CO. have been instructed to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, at 11 o'clock, on the above mentioned date,
That well-known first-class sheep and cattle property,
THE STRATHMORE RUNS,
situate in the Kennedy District, Queensland, and comprising the following blocks:—
Strathmore — Mount Wickham
East Downs — Spring Lands
West Downs — Woodlands,
containing in all about
314 SQUARE MILES OF MAGNIFICENT SHEEP COUNTRY,
the greater part of which is plains and undulating Downs, abounding with SALTBUSH, blue and barley grasses, and the varieties of herbs which characterise THE BEST FATTENING COUNTRY. The remainder consists of fine open ironbark and box ridges. Having a LARGE FRONTAGE TO THE Bowen River and Pelican Creek, and the back country being intersected by numerous creeks interspersed with rocky water holes. These runs are among the
BEST WATERED IN THE COLONY.
The capabilities of the Strathmore Runs are very large, and by competent judges they have been set down as
EQUAL TO CARRY 60,000 SHEEP and 2000 CATTLE.
THE IMPROVEMENTS at the head station are of a very superior character, and include every requisite for [illegible] a ten-foot verandah [illegible] every convenience for a family, together with [illegible] woolshed, 70 feet x 40 feet, built of hardwood, floored and grated, and roofed with iron, with drafting yards, lane, and all other conveniences.
Overseer's cottage, 3 huts for the men, stables, loose box, harness room and hay-yard. Stores, consisting of receiving, selling, and tool stores, with cart shed. Detached meat store, with smoking-house adjoining. Stockyards, consisting of receiving, drafting, milking, killing, and horse yards. Garden of about an acre, in full cultivation, enclosed with paling fence and a large horse paddock.
There are eleven out-stations, with good huts and substantial yards, at one of which, about 12 miles from the head station, there is a good horse paddock.
There are also several other yards, for occasional use, in various parts of the runs, and about 600 hurdles.
THE WASH POOL is the finest in the colony, formed by a natural dam across the creek, capable of supplying any number of spouts in the driest season.
With the Strathmore Runs will be sold the following stock:—
SHEEP.
EWES, 3 and 4 years old 5477
Maidens to lamb in April, 1866 1936
Maidens now about lambing 1036
Maiden ewes 730
Wethers, two and three years old 2076
Wether hoggetts 730
Rams 223
Weaners, mixed sexes 4896
Total, more or less 17,104
, These sheep are chiefly from WESTBROOK EWES and their progeny, and only last year 5000 were culled from the various flocks, leaving nothing but FIRST-CLASS YOUNG SHEEP.
CATTLE.
500 HEAD OF QUIET WELL BRED CATTLE.
The herd consisted of about 1000, but 440 were culled from it last year.
☞ 4 teams of bullocks, with drays, &c., about 50 head of horse stock, the well-known entire horse, Dutchman, tools, implements, woolpress, stores, &c., to be taken at a valuation.

☞ These runs were the first selected in the district, and for excellence of pasture, abundance of water, proximity to shipping port, compactness, value of improvements, and for being in thorough working order, may be ranked among the
VERY BEST STATIONS IN NORTHERN QUEENSLAND,
indeed, the country has been described by a very competent judge as
CLOSELY ASSIMILATING TO DARLING DOWNS.
The ages and character of the sheep, and the very small QUANTITY OF STOCK as COMPARED TO GRAZING CAPABILITIES cannot fail to command the attention of every practical man.
CLOSEST INSPECTION INVITED PRIOR TO SALE, for which there is ample time.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.

LEICHHARDT TOWN, PETERSHAM,
immediately adjoining the fast rising town of BALMAIN, and surrounded by the princely properties of ANNANDALE, ELSWICK, GARRYOWEN, AUSTENHAM, and the village of BROUGHTON; it is in one of the most delightful neighbourhoods of Sydney, while its pleasing elevation above the sea affords extensive and beautiful views of the city, and its many headlands and bays, securing at the same time to the future residents that health which cannot be enjoyed in the smoky atmosphere of a large town.
There is an abundance of good stone, and also brick earth in one portion of the town, furnishing the staple for building on the spot.
The main road from the Petersham Railway Station to Balmain and Sydney by the Abattoirs passes through the centre of Leichhardt Town, and there cannot be a doubt as to the very great increase in value which a few years will effect in land in this locality.

MORT and CO. have been instructed by the Mortgagees to sell by public auction, at the Room, Pitt-street, WITHOUT RESERVE, on an early date to be announced,
The whole of the unsold portion of
LEICHHARDT TOWN.

Full particulars of this valuable property will be shortly published.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

TO BE SOLD, in February next, if not previously disposed of, the TOOLOOMBILLA STATION, situated on Appletree Creek, MARANOA EAST, QUEENSLAND, occupied at present by Messrs. FULLERTON AND MOFFATT, with about 24,000 SHEEP, the produce of 5000 ewes, bought from Mr. Cardew, and 4000 ewes bought from Messrs. Hodgson and Watts, and 150 of their young Steiger rams.
ALSO, about 500 head of MIXED CATTLE.
Further particulars, with day of sale, in future notices.
APPLY to MORT and CO., PITT-STREET.

DARLING DOWNS, QUEENSLAND.

HALLIFORD and STRETCHWORTH, adjoining CECIL PLAINS, WERANGA, and in the immediate neighbourhood of ST. RUTH and YANDILLA, being distant about 25 MILES SOUTH-WEST OF DALBY, the proposed terminus of the GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.

Terms: One-third cash, residue by approved bills at one and two years, with interest at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum added, and secured on the stock and station.

MR. BREWSTER has received instructions to sell by public auction, at his Rooms, Squatters' Exchange, George-street, Sydney, on WEDNESDAY, the 7th of February, 1866, at 11 o'clock,
FIRST-CLASS DARLING DOWNS STATIONS, known as
"HALLIFORD" and "STRETCHWORTH,"
together with the undermentioned stock:—
SHEEP.
Ewes 5,206
Wethers 3,676
Mixed sexes 1,119
Weaners, mixed sexes .. 3,385
Rams 140
TOTAL SHEEP.... 13,526, more or less.

Also.
300 HEAD OF WELL-BRED QUIET CATTLE.
GRAZING CAPABILITIES.
25,000 SHEEP and 800 HEAD OF CATTLE.
The STATIONS have a frontage of 17 miles to Wilkie's Creek; the back country is abundantly watered by tributaries and numerous permanent waterholes containing a never-failing water supply of water, thus rendering every inch of the stations available.
The IMPROVEMENTS are as follows:—On the head station a good shingled house, containing 11 rooms, verandah, private store, kitchen, with servant's room attached; garden well stocked with choice fruit trees, vines, &c.; pigsty, fowlhouse; a second cottage of 5 rooms, kitchen, store, a good garden and outoffices, including stores, men's huts; also, small cultivation paddock, stock-yard capable of holding about 800 head of cattle, milking yard, calf-pen. The above improvements are all enclosed in a substantial two-rail paddock. Woolshed just erected, roofed with zinc, battened floor, 70 feet long by 25 feet wide; lever press and standing yards; 6 out-station huts, shingled, and about 600 hurdles.

, Twelve months' supplies will be on the station at time of delivery, which, together with 4 teams of working bullocks, stock horses, implements, stores, &c., &c., will have to be taken by the purchaser at a valuation.

BURNETT DISTRICT, QUEENSLAND.

THE IDERAWAY STATIONS,
Together with
25,000 SHEEP, more or less
4000 CATTLE, more or less,
distant only about 80 miles from Maryborough.

TERMS—One-third cash, residue at 1, 2, and 3 years from day of sale, with interest at the rate of eight (8) per cent. per annum added, secured on the property.

MR. BREWSTER has received instructions from the Executors of the Estate of the late J. B. Reid, Esq., to sell by public auction, at his Rooms, Squatters' Exchange, George-street, on WEDNESDAY, 7th of February, at 11 o'clock,
THAT WELL-KNOWN PASTORAL PROPERTY, IDERAWAY, situated in the best portion of the Burnett District, in the COLONY OF QUEENSLAND, consisting of SIX BLOCKS of first-class healthy sheep country—viz., TANJOUR, JONDAY, BINJOUR, PENANG, NOURNOUR, and BRANCH CREEK, No. 1; distant about four miles from the township of Gayndah and 85 miles from the shipping port of Maryborough, from whence there is a bi-weekly steam communication with Brisbane and Sydney.
THE IMPROVEMENTS are very complete, and comprise everything necessary both for comfort and convenience, to attain which, considerable sums have been annually expended by the late owner; they consist of a comfortable five-roomed cottage, detached kitchen, large store, very complete wool shed, with shed attached, containing screw-press, stables, four large men's huts—ALL THE BUILDINGS ABOVE ENUMERATED ARE SHINGLED AND CONSTRUCTED OF THE BEST MATERIALS—garden, large grass paddock, cultivation ditto, large four-rail sheep-drafting yards, together with ELEVEN OUT-STATION HUTS, all shingled and built on sleepers.
THERE IS ALSO, at an out station distant 14 miles from the head station, an overseer's hut and store, paddock, stockyard, and sheep-drafting yards.
AT THE CATTLE STATION [illegible] will be sold the following stock:—
SHEEP.
[illegible]
Ditto, 4 ditto ditto 4538
Ditto, 5 ditto and aged 5228
Ditto weaners 2749
— 13,715
WETHERS, 1 to 5 years old 8489
Ditto weaners 2749
— 11,238
RAMS 194
TOTAL SHEEP, more or less 25,147
WARRANTED SOUND AND FREE FROM SCAB OR CATARRH. Also,
4000 HEAD OF CATTLE, more or less.
A choice well-bred herd, which will be mustered and delivered. (Calves under six months old at time of delivery given in.)
, Stores, three teams of working bullocks, stock-horses, implements, &c., &c., to be taken at a valuation.

☞ The above splendid pastoral property will at once be recognised by those acquainted with the colony of Queensland as those recently in the occupation of the late J. B. Reid, Esq., by the order of whose executors it is now placed in the market for POSITIVE SALE. No commentary is considered necessary, inasmuch as the IDERAWAY STATIONS have always been acknowledged equal, if not superior to any other pastoral property in the district.
The STOCK are highly spoken of by those who know them.
The SHEEP have been carefully bred and annually culled, and the wool has always realised full prices, both in the colonial and English markets.
The CATTLE are a very superior quiet herd; no expense has been spared in introducing the best blood the colonies could produce.

, The particular attention of capitalists is requested to the facilities possessed by IDERAWAY, owing to its position with regard to the seaport of MARYBOROUGH (distant 85 miles), for the shipment of cattle to the Melbourne and Hobart Town markets, where there is a large and increasing demand for fat stock.
The auctioneer is perfectly satisfied that if the runs and stock are inspected, they will be found in no way inferior to the foregoing description.

LEICHHARDT DISTRICT, QUEENSLAND.

The well known first-class Station ROOKWOOD, together with 9000 SHEEP, more or less, being beyond doubt ONE OF THE FINEST PASTORAL PROPERTIES in the Northern Districts, possessing GRAZING CAPABILITIES fully equal to 30,000 SHEEP.

Terms:—One-third cash, residue by approved bills at one and two years, from day of sale, with bank discount added, secured on the stock and stations.

MR. BREWSTER has received instructions to sell by public auction, at his Rooms, Squatters' Exchange, George-street, on WEDNESDAY, the 7th of February, at 11 o'clock.
The ROOKWOOD STATION, in the Leichhardt District, Queensland, adjoining WINDAH, late the property of Charles Cox, Esq., and distant about 52 miles from Rockhampton.
ROOKWOOD consists of two large blocks of first-class sheep country, and embraces the whole of the waters of the MELLALEUCA CREEK for a distance of 40 miles. The country is sound and healthy, as is proved by the total absence of disease of any description. There is an abundance of salt bush and herbage on the runs.
THE ESTIMATED GRAZING CAPABILITIES 30,000 SHEEP.
THE IMPROVEMENTS are of a very superior class. They consist of a five-roomed verandah house, detached kitchen with servants' room, men's huts, sheep and drafting yards, with swing gates, &c.; woolshed, 50 x 24, one of the most convenient in the district; battened skillions, wool-bins, powerful lever press,—altogether complete in every respect; six out-station huts, with good yards; large well-grassed paddock; excellent garden, yielding a good supply of fruit and vegetables; stockyard, and about 400 hurdles.
With the above will be sold
9000 FIRST-CLASS SHEEP, more or less,
WARRANTED SOUND.
Particulars of ages and sexes will shortly be published.
, Horses, bullocks, and drays, milch cows, stores, tools, implements, &c., to be taken at a valuation.

☞ The above property is well worth the attention of any one looking for a remunerative pastoral investment, with a comfortable homestead, in every respect suitable for the residence of a gentleman's family. It is now in the market for POSITIVE SALE, in consequence of a DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.
An inspection previous to the day of sale is earnestly solicited.

TO BE SOLD, at WOOLLER'S, Pitt-street, by auction, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
Horses, carts, drays, buggies, waggons, spring-carts, &c.
N.B.—No charge for entering horses, &c., for sale.
Proceeds payable immediately after sale.

FUNERAL.—The Friends of Mr. BENJAMIN DEWSON are invited to attend the Funeral of his late departed son WILLIAM; the procession to move from his residence No. 1, Charles-street, off Bay-street, Woolloomooloo, on SUNDAY AFTERNOON, at half-past 2 o'clock. J. and G. SHYING, Undertakers, opposite Christ Church.

FUNERAL.—The Friends of the late Mr. EDWARD RYAN, Gasfitter, are invited to attend his funeral; the procession to move from his late residence, Botany Road, THIS (Saturday) AFTERNOON, at a quarter-past 3 o'clock. J. and G. SHYING, Undertakers, opposite Christ Church.

WOOLLOOMOOLOO BAY REGATTA.

26th DECEMBER, 1865.
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R. Harnett, Esq.	Captain Ross.
W. M'Quade, Esq.	

PROGRAMME.

1st Race.—To start at 10 o'clock.—All youths under 16 years of age, pulling a pair of sculls in dingies not exceeding 12 feet on the keel. Course—From Cowper Wharf, round Fort Denison and back to flagship. First prize, £5; second prize, £2.
1. Novice—Charles Bullivant—Blue
2. Adonis—W. Uhr—Scarlet, white sash
3. Pelter—S. Punch—Pink
4. Slog-Ahead—E. Middenway—Blue and white
5. Dart—E. Murray—Red
6. I'll Do—F. Hayes—White and pink
7. Major—F. Roderick—White.

2nd Race.—To start at 10.15.—All pulling dingies not exceeding fifteen feet overall, under canvas. Course—From moorings in Woolloomooloo Bay, round Clark Island, back round flagship, thence round Clark Island, and back to flagship. First prize, £8; second prize, £2.
1. Slippery Dick—R. Bask—Blue, with white star
2. Friendship—J. Bates—Red, blue cross
3. Faust—Stewart and Bolton—Blue and white
4. Slippery Charlie—T. Croft—Red, blue border
5. Kildare—S. Drennan—Black and red
6. Slim Jim—Trengrouse—Red and black ball
7. Gull—W. Moore—Red
8. Lodore—G. Cannis—Red, white ball
9. Betsy Eagar—G. Kelly—Red, white cross
10. Messenger—T. Roddam—Light blue
11. Leisure Hour—G. Ellis—Dark blue
12. Oberon—W. Birkenshaw—Magenta.

3rd Race.—To start at 10.30.—All bona fide amateurs, pulling a pair of sculls in outriggers. Course.—From Cowper Wharf, round Fort Denison, thence round boat off Cowper Wharf, and back to flagship. Prize, silver cup, value, £10.
1. Flirt—C. Davis—White
2. Champion—H. D. Fitzhardinge—Red
3. Star—J. Garvan—White and green.

4th Race.—To start at 11.—All open boats not exceeding 22 feet overall, having fins and centre-boards. Course—From moorings in Woolloomooloo Bay, round Lightship and Sow and Pigs, back round flagship, round Clark Island, and back to flagship. First prize, £12; second prize, £3.
Not sufficient entrances.

5th Race.—To start at 11.30.—All second class yachts, not exceeding 12 tons. Course—From moorings in Woolloomooloo Bay, round boat off Manly Beach, back round flagship, round lightship and Sow and Pigs and back to flagship. First prize, £25; second prize, £8.
1. Crusader—A. Hamilton—Dark blue
2. Julia—R. C. Want—Blue, with red cross
3. Australian—D. Sheehy—Red
4. Gitana—F. J. Jackson—Blue, with white cross
5. La Vivandiere—A. Oliver—Tricolour.

6th Race.—To start at 11.45.—All centre-board boats. Course.—Same as second-class yachts. First prize, £20; second prize, £5.
1. True Blue—G. Alderton—Dark blue
2. Challenge—T. M'Gregor—Red, black ball
3. Spray—W. J. Cocks—White, blue border, red Maltese cross.

7th Race.—To start at 12.—All comers, pulling a pair of sculls in outriggers. Course—Same as third race. Prize, £20.
1. Champion—J. Howard—Red
2. Guiding Star—H. Green—White, blue sash
3. A. S. B. C.—H. White—White.

8th Race.—To start at 12.15.—All comers, pulling a pair light skiffs. Course—Same as third race. Prize, £10.
1. Champion—E. O'Connor—Blue
2. Star—D. Garvan—White and green
3. Swan—J. Turner—White, blue sash
4. Athlete—J. Austen—Pink
5. Cornstalk—A. M'Bride—White
6. Favorita—D. Dunlop—White, red sash.

10th Race.—To start at 12.45.—All skiffs under canvas, with or without fins and centre boards. Course—From moorings in Woolloomooloo Bay, round Shark Island, round flagship, round Clark Island, and back to flagship. Prize, £10.
1. Susie—H. Woolnough—Red, white, and blue
2. Dart—J. Richards—Dark blue
3. Marian—J. Phelps—Red.

11th Race.—To start at 1.—All open boats, not exceeding 22 feet overall, fins and centre-boards excluded. Course—From moorings in Woolloomooloo Bay, round lightship and Sow and Pigs, back round flagship, round Clark Island, and back to flagship. First prize, £20; second prize, £5.
1. Jessie—P. W. Creagh—White, with blue and red cross
2. Torment—J. B. Graham—Red, white, and blue
3. Clio—W. and T. Langford—Red
4. Laura—W. and J. Watts—Blue and white
5. Tarragon—R. Driver—Light blue, with star.

12th Race.—To start at 2.30.—All bona fide amateurs, pulling a pair of oars in light skiffs, with coxswain. Course—Same as third race. Prize, pair of silver cups value £10.
1. Star—J. Garvan and R. Sheridan—White and green.
2. Athletic—W. Jobson and G. Merriman—White.

13th Race.—To start at 3.—All comers, pulling a pair of oars in light skiffs, with coxswain. Course—From Cowper Wharf, round Fort Denison, back round flagship, round Fort Denison, and back to flagship. Prize, £12.
Not sufficient entrances.

14th Race.—To start at 3.30.—All bona fide amateurs, who have never won an advertised race, pulling a pair of oars in light skiffs, with coxswain. Course—Same as third race. Prize, pair of silver cups value £10.
1. Star—D. Garvan and J. Manning—White and green
2. Favorita—E. Park and R. Palmer—Blue and white
3. Swan—R. Love and T. Somers—White
4. Cornstalk—A. and W. Manton—Magenta and white
5. Hebe—T. Busby and T. Manning—Scarlet.

15th Race.—To start at 4.—All licensed watermen, regularly plying for hire, pulling a pair of sculls in boats which have been licensed and used for three months previous to race. Course—Same as third race. Prize, £10.
1. Champion—J. Dunnett—Dark blue
2. Comet—H. White—White
3. Minnie—P. Connolly—White and red.

16th Race.—To start at 4.30.—All bona fide yachts' dingies, not exceeding 12 feet overall, to be pulled by a member of the yacht's crew. Course—From flagship round boat off Cowper Wharf, round flagship, back round boat off Cowper Wharf, and back to flagship. First prize, £4; second prize, £2.
1. Crusader—J. Nichols—White
2. Spray—R. Ray—Blue
3. Julia—Hope—Pink
4. Gitana—H. Please—Blue and white.

17th Race.—To start at 5.—Gig and Dingy—Dingy to be caught within fifteen minutes. Prize, £3 3s.
Gig, Astrea—C. Stevenson—White
Dingy, Rat—T. Muspratt—Blue.
W. J. COCKS, P. W. CREAGH, } Hon. Secretaries.

WOOLLOOMOOLOO BAY REGATTA.—Applications for providing Luncheon and Refreshments on board the Flagship will be received by the Committee THIS DAY, between the hours of 11 and 12 o'clock, at M'Grath and Punch's. Permission to sell wines, spirits, &c., already obtained.
W. J. COCKS, P. W. CREAGH, } Honorary Secretaries.

WOOLLOOMOOLOO BAY REGATTA.—Full particulars of the UNSOLD BOOTHS can be obtained on application to HENRY CHATTO and CO., Treasury Auction Rooms, 253, George-street.

WOOLLOOMOOLOO REGATTA.—Applications for Cake Stalls for Centipede Rock. Apply Edwin Gee, King-street.

MADAME SOHIER'S WAXWORK EXHIBITION, REMOVED NEXT DOOR, 222, Pitt-street.
NEW PREMISES.
GREAT ATTRACTIONS.
NEW FIGURES.
The CHRISTENING CEREMONY of the FUTURE PRINCE OF WALES.
The ASSASSINATION of PRESIDENT LINCOLN, at FORD'S THEATRE, WASHINGTON.
The DEATH of BURKE the EXPLORER
CONSTANCE KENT, FROM A PHOTOGRAPH.
Admission, one shilling; children, half-price.
OPEN from 10 a.m. till 10 p.m.

NEWTOWN School of Arts.—Mr. T. D. Mackenzie will read "Hamlet," on Thursday next, at 8 p.m.

ANNIVERSARY REGATTA, FRIDAY, January 26th, 1866.

In commemoration of the Seventy-eighth Anniversary of the Foundation of the Colony.

PATRON: The Right Honorable Sir JOHN YOUNG, Bart.
Committee:

S. C Burt, Esq.	W. Lamb, Esq.
S. Clark, Esq.	P. Lamb, Esq.
W. B. Dalley, Esq.	Sir W. Manning, M.L.C.
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F. W. Hill, Esq.	E. Wyld, Esq.
J. Josephson, Esq.	R. C. Want, Esq.

1st Race.—To start at 10 o'clock.—All youths under 16 years of age, pulling a pair of sculls in dingies not exceeding twelve feet on the keel.
2nd Race.—To start at half-past 10.—All youths under 18 years of age, pulling a pair of oars in light skiffs.
3rd Race.—To start at 11.—For all pulling dingies not exceeding fifteen feet overall, under canvas.
4th Race.—To start at 11.—For all open centreboard boats not exceeding twenty-two feet overall.
5th Race.—To start at half-past 11.—For all gentlemen amateurs, pulling a pair of sculls in light skiffs.
6th Race.—To start at 12.—Champion race, in outriggers.
7th Race.—To start at half-past 12.—All bona fide ballast boats, under canvas.
8th Race.—To start at half-past 12.—All bona fide sailing skiffs not exceeding twenty-two feet overall, or twenty inches deep, under canvas.
9th Race.—To start at 1.—All second-class yachts of twelve tons and under; centreboards excluded.
10th Race.—To start at 1.—All yachts, centreboards excluded. Time for tonnage, half-minute to the ton; yachts to rate at twelve tons.
11th Race.—To start at 2.—All amateurs, pulling a pair of sculls in light skiffs.
12th Race.—To start at half-past 2.—All open boats not exceeding twenty-two feet overall, under canvas.
13th Race.—To start at 3.—All gentlemen amateurs, pulling a pair of oars in light skiffs.
14th Race.—To start at half-past 3.—All comers, pulling a pair of oars in light skiffs.
15th Race.—To start at 4.—All amateurs that have never started in any race, pulling a pair of sculls in light skiffs.
16th Race.—To start at half-past 4.—All comers, pulling a pair of sculls in light skiffs.
17th Race.—To start at 5.—Gig and dingy.
Rules, courses, and prizes will shortly appear.
RICHARD DRIVER, Jun., Hon. Sec.

PRINCE OF WALES OPERA HOUSE.
Directress, Mrs. CHARLES POOLE.
Stage Manager, Mr. C. W. BARRY.

Continued success of the farewell performances of the distinguished and accomplished artiste,
LADY DON,
previous to her departure for California, supported by Miss HARRIET GORDON, and a full company.

LAST NIGHT OF OBERON, for the BENEFIT of the AUTHOR.
THIS EVENING (Saturday), December 23d,
Grand production of a local burlesque EXTRAVAGANZA, written expressly for Lady DON by G. B. BARTON, Esq., entitled,
OBERON,
or the Knight and the Caliph's Daughter.
Oberon (a monarch retired from business) .. LADY DON.
Sir Huon of Bordeaux .... Mr. J. Rayner.
Reiza (the Caliph's daughter) .... Miss H. Gordon.
Mermaids, Fairies, Pirates, Courtiers, &c., &c.

The burlesque will be preceded by the Comic Drama of
THE CHILD OF THE REGIMENT.
Josephine .... LADY DON
introducing the whole of the original music.
Upper Circle, ONE SHILLING.

On BOXING NIGHT will be produced, on a scale of splendour hitherto unattempted, a
GRAND CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME,
entitled HARLEQUIN and the HOUSE that JACK BUILT, or WILL O'THE WISP, and OLD MOTHER HUBBARD and her WONDERFUL DOG, in which LADY DON, the celebrated LEOPOLD FAMILY, the ENTIRE COMPANY, and 100 AUXILIARIES will appear.

NEW ROYAL VICTORIA THEATRE.
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THIS EVENING, Saturday, December 23rd,
BROWN and COLLINS'
CHRISTY'S MINSTRELS
in a
SELECT PROGRAMME
of their
WORLD-FAMED MELODIES,
interspersed with
DANCES, COMICAL EXTRAVAGANZAS,
and
INSTRUMENTAL SOLOS. Dress Circle.
MASANIELLO and the PANTOMIME.
PIT ....ONE SHILLING.
Doors open at half-past 7, performance to commence at 8 precisely. Box Office open from 11 till 4.
Plan of Dress Circle at Mr. Anderson's Music Warerooms, where seats may be secured.

LYCEUM THEATRE. Boxing Night. Alfred Phillips in his Dioramic Entertainment, Erin-go-Bragh.

LYCEUM THEATRE, Boxing Night, the ne plus ultra of entertainments, including Christmas Presents.

LYCEUM THEATRE, Boxing Night, Novelty! Novelty! Novelty! The only novelty of the season.

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LYCEUM THEATRE, Boxing Night. The last Entertainment of the season. Lots of fun. Be in time.

SCHOOL OF ARTS.
GREAT ATTRACTION
for the
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.
The
CELEBRATED LANCASHIRE BELLRINGERS,
assisted by
Miss MARIE CHALKER,
Mrs. W. J. CORDNER,
Mr. J. J. RYALL,
commencing THIS NIGHT, Christmas Eve.
Recollections of Christmas at Home.
The Chimes of Boyhood's Days, by the
LANCASHIRE BELLRINGERS.
Tickets may be obtained, and seats secured at Anderson's Music Warehouse, George-street.
R. OGDEN, Manager.

LANCASHIRE BELLRINGERS, at the School of Arts TO-NIGHT.

MISS MARIE CHALKER and Mrs. W. J. CORDNER, at the School of Arts TO-NIGHT.

MUSIC, SONG, and MELODY, at the School of Arts, TO-NIGHT.

BROWNE'S NEW STEYNE HOTEL.—On BOXING DAY.—DANCING in the Grand Saloon, to the lively strains of a German Band, at Browne's New Steyne Hotel, Manly Beach.

BROWNE'S NEW STEYNE HOTEL' MANLY BEACH,
is the pleasantest house in the environs of Sydney for pleasure seekers to find themselves at on a holiday.
WINES, SPIRITS, ALES, everything of the very best, and at SYDNEY PRICES, to suit the times.

BROWNE'S NEW STEYNE HOTEL, BOXING DAY! BOXING DAY.
A splendid cold collation, including salad and a glass of ale.
One shilling each, to suit the times.

BROWNE'S NEW STEYNE HOTEL.—BOXING DAY Sports.—Football, quoits, jumping in sacks, &c.

WATSONS'S BAY.—Christmas and Boxing Day.—Steamers from Circular Quay and Woolloomooloo.

WATSON'S BAY.—Boxing and Dancing in the Pavilion, other sports, and lots of fun.

WATSON'S BAY.—Boxing Day.—The finest collection of wild beasts in the colonies will be on view.

MANLY BEACH.—Go to the FAIRY BOWER, for peace, quietness, and comfort—no roughs.

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MANLY BEACH.—Steyne Hotel.—Full Band engaged. Dancing in saloon—lots of fun.

MANLY BEACH.—Steyne Hotel.—Minstrels—stage performance in the new pleasure grounds.

MANLY BEACH.—Steyne Hotel.—Races for prizes, swings, quoits, roundabouts, skittles, cricket.

COME TO MANLY, you lads, you lasses, and wives;
Come where nature has lavished her choicest regalia,
Where envy itself must award her the prize,
For being the glory and pride of Australia.
W. LAMBOURN.

SAINT ANN'S CHURCH, RYDE.—A BAZAAR will be held on SATURDAY, 27th January next, at Ryde, in aid of the liquidation of the debt upon the church. Any donations or contributions of articles for sale will be thankfully received by Mrs. TURNER, at the Parsonage.

BOXING NIGHT.—Mr. W. CLARK'S Grand Extra Quadrille Assembly, 103, Elizabeth-st., near King-st.

MR. W. KING'S Quadrille Assembly, at the Oddfellows' Hall, Sussex-street, on Boxing Night.

PYRMONT BRIDGE HOTEL.—MUSIC and DANCING. Free Entrance TO-NIGHT.

MANLY BEACH AMUSEMENTS.—BOXING DAY, 26th December, 1865.
Terrific Ascent on a wire rope, ¼ inch thick, as performed by Vertelli, over the falls of Mount Lofty, S. A.
STEAM EXCURSION to MANLY.—The powerful steamships
PATERSON
BREADALBANE
PHANTOM
NEW BLACK SWAN.
from Circular Quay at 10 a.m., and every half-hour during the day, calling at Woolloomooloo Bay.
Brass Band engaged.
MANLY BEACH.—The famous Sacramento Minstrels will perform.
MANLY BEACH.—Dancing in the Saloon, Steyne Hotel.
Mons. VERTELLI, at Manly Beach. TERRIFIC ASCENT on Wire Rope, ¼ inch.
MANLY BEACH.—Pier Hotel, Browne's Hotel, Temperance Hotel.

BOXING DAY.—Good Samaritan.—No. 3 Division of the Sons of Temperance.—A Grand EXCURSION in connection with the above Order, by special train to PENRITH, on December 26th, 1865. Cricket, football, and other manly and amusing games will be provided. Hot and cold water on the ground all free of charge. A band (16 in number) is engaged for the whole day. No expense or trouble will be spared to make this a real cheap pleasure trip. While, therefore, the committee pledges itself to use their utmost exertions in trying to make every one happy and comfortable, they with respectful confidence solicit the patronage of every son of temperance, as also of their other kind friends and lovers of temperate and rational enjoyment.
Train leaves Sydney at 9 a.m., Newtown 9.5; leaves Penrith, on return, at 5 p.m.
Tickets—double, 5s.; single, 3s.; children half-price, to be had of Mr. A. Morris, Haymarket; Mr. Jones, Brickfield-hill; Mr. J. Davis, York-street; Mr. Mountcastle, George-street; Mr. G. Lucas, Francis-street; and others, as also of the committee.

BOXING DAY.—EXCURSION to Broken Bay, Pittwater, and Hawkesbury River.—The commodious and powerful steamship URARA, Captain Creer, will leave the Clarence and Richmond Steam Navigation Company's Wharf, foot of Margaret-street, at 10 a.m. on TUESDAY, the 26th instant, BOXING DAY, will proceed to Pittwater, round Scotland Island, and up the Hawkesbury, round Mullet Island, crossing the mouth of the Cawarra. Refreshments of a superior description will be provided, under the superintendence of Mr. GEORGE ROSS, the Company's provedore.
A band will accompany the ship. Fares, 5s.; children half-price.

BOXING DAY.—GRAND STEAM EXCURSION TO CLONTARF GARDENS, MIDDLE HARBOUR.—The powerful Steamship HUNTER is engaged, and will leave the Circular Quay at half-past 9 and half-past 11 a.m., and at 2 p.m., calling at Woolloomooloo Bay, returning from Middle Harbour at 4 and 6 p.m.
A splendid Quadrille Band engaged. Dancing in the large Pavilion. A variety of English sports, including cricket, quoits, foot-ball, skittles, foot and hurdle races, jumping, catching pig with greasy tail, climbing greasy pole, &c., for which valuable prizes will be awarded. A boat on the ground. All kinds of refreshments to be had at moderate charge. Tickets 2s 6d each; children, 1s.

BOXING-DAY.—Grand STEAM EXCURSION to BALMORAL GARDENS, MIDDLE HARBOUR.—The powerful steamship MORPETH will leave the Circular Quay at 9 and 11 a.m., and 1.30 p.m., returning at 4 and 6 p.m. A splendid band (10) on the steamer, and also a first-class quadrille band (5) on the ground, in a spacious pavilion. Dancing to commence on the arrival of the first steamer. N.B—No extra charge made for admission to the dancing saloon. Athletic sports, a cricket match, football, quoits, skittles, racing, jumping, &c., prizes given.
A booth on the ground, where liquors and all other refreshments may be had at very moderate charges.
Luncheons ready from 1 o'clock.
Return-tickets, 2s 6d; children, half price.
W. P. HOINS, W. BROWN, } Managers.

ST. JOHN'S DAY! DAY AFTER BOXING DAY.—ANNUAL EXCURSION to BALMORAL, (for the convenience of those who object to crowded Holiday steamers.) The VESTA will leave Circular Quay at 9.15, 11.45, and 1.50. Tickets, 2s; children, 1s. First-class Quadrille Band engaged. REFRESHMENTS on the GROUND at MODERATE CHARGES.

EXCURSION TO BROKEN BAY ON BOXING DAY.
The powerful steamship COMERANG will leave the PHŒNIX WHARF, foot of Erskine-street, at 10 a.m. sharp.
Tickets there and back, 5s.
Refreshments on board, at the most reasonable prices, to suit the times.
A. ORR.

PLEASURE EXCURSION from WINDSOR by STEAM down the HAWKESBURY to WISEMAN'S FERRY, on WEDNESDAY, 27th, and FRIDAY, 29th, at 8 a.m.; and leave Wiseman's Ferry on return on THURSDAY.
No cargo will be taken on board on these trips.
GEORGE S. HALL, jun.
Windsor, 18th December.

NEW YEAR'S DAY.—Protestant Alliance Friendly Society.—Grand PUBLIC PICNIC to ATHOL GARDENS on New Year's Day. The Committee have engaged a large commodious steamer for the occasion, to leave the Circular Quay at 9 a.m., and continue running throughout the day. An efficient band is engaged. Amusements of various kinds. Refreshments to be had on the ground. Hot water free. Return tickets, 1s. 6d. each; children, 9d.; to be had from the committee or members of the society. JAMES GRAHAM, Hon. Secretary.

GRAND EXCURSION TO RICHMOND ON ST. STEPHEN'S DAY, December 26.—The St. BENEDICT'S YOUNG MEN'S SOCIETY'S Annual EXCURSION this year will be to Richmond, where they have secured the beautiful and romantic grounds of Sloper Cox, Esq., from which place there are some of the most magnificent views in the world. There will be a large pavilion erected for the convenience of the excursionists, and the place around is beautifully shaded with trees of dense foliage.
There is a plentiful supply of beautiful spring water on the ground.
The committee have fixed the prices at 3s., and 1s 6d for children under 14 years, in order to give all the members and their friends an opportunity of enjoying a pleasant day together.
The train will leave the Sydney station at half-past 8 a.m., and call at the Newtown Station for the convenience of passengers, and persons wishing to be let down at Windsor the train will stop there both going and coming.
A good quadrille band is engaged.
Tickets may be had from any member of the committee.
N.B.—Adults, 3s; children, 1s 6d.
V. J. ELLERY, Hon. Sec.

TO MEET THE TIMES.—Notice.—EXCURSION to RICHMOND on St. STEPHEN'S DAY, December 26th. D. HADKINS having the honour of catering for the Committee of the St. Benedict's Young Men's Society, he will be prepared to supply the public with a first-class Lunch for 1s. 6d. per head, and the finest quality of wines and spirits at Sydney prices.
DOUGLAS HADKINS, Sportsman's Arms, Richmond.

DANCING.—WINDSOR.—Mr. J. CLARK, Jun., at the request of a number of his Pupils, intends giving a Dancing Party at the School of Arts, Windsor, on THURSDAY EVENING next. Admission by tickets only.

DANCING.—BOXING NIGHT.—Mr. J. CLARK'S QUADRILLE PARTY on TUESDAY next, at his Assembly Rooms, Colonnade, Elizabeth-street.

DANCING.—Mrs. Charles Read's Quadrille Party on TUESDAY next, December 26th. 75, William-st.

DANCING.—A Quadrille PARTY, THIS EVENING. Stirling Castle Hotel, Botany-st., Redfern.

VAUXHALL GARDENS, Randwick.—Great attraction Boxing Day. Refreshments and drinks at town prices. JOHN GRICE, Proprietor.

A MANAGER, thoroughly experienced, requires the charge of a sheep or cattle station; or would take out stock and form a new station in northern Queensland. Address W. T., HERALD Office.

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ANY PERSON having a few acres of LAND, with or without a COTTAGE, with water frontage to the Parramatta River or Bays on the Southern side, may hear of a purchaser, by stating price and situation. Address M., 273, George-street.

A SCOTCH M.A. wishes for an ENGAGEMENT as Master in a School, or as Private Tutor; he can undertake all the branches of an English and classical education, and has a good acquaintance with the physical sciences. Highest references. Address L. Z., HERALD Office.

AUSTRALIAN LIBRARY AND LITERARY INSTITUTION.—The situation of LIBRARIAN and Assistant Secretary of this institution having become vacant, parties willing to undertake the same are requested to make written application, with testimonials, to the Committee, at the Library, on or before WEDNESDAY, 27th December, at noon. Salary £160 per annum, with residence. Osborn Ottley, Honorary Secretary.

BOTTLES.—Wanted 20 to 50 dozen Pickle Bottles (clean). Address, stating price, &c. to Bottle, HERALD Office.

HOUSE required by a Lady, containing six rooms, near Hunter-street. Mrs. Lunn, 4, Bligh-street.

CLERK OF WORKS.—Required for the Congregational Church, in course of erection in Pitt-street, an experienced CLERK OF WORKS, capable of setting out work, preparing detail drawings, and thoroughly conversant with his duties. Written applications, enclosing references, and stating salary required, to be made to Mr. G. Allen Mansfield, Architect, 165, Pitt-street, before noon of WEDNESDAY next, the 27th instant.

CANVASSER for ADVERTISEMENTS required; he must be experienced, and of good address; a permanent situation. Greville and Bird, Bridge-street.

MATRIMONY.—A gentleman wishes to meet with a lady of independence. B., 198, Parramatta-street.

QUADRILLE PIANISTE, DISENGAGED Boxing Night. 68, Surry-street, Darlinghurst.

REPORTER wanted, for the country. Apply at 2, This Day, at Greville and Bird's.

REQUIRED, two Furnished BEDROOMS in a private family at Balmain or North Shore, near the water. Address A. F., HERALD Office.

RESIDENT GOVERNESS.—A widow gentlewoman, experienced in tuition, desires a SITUATION as above. Acquirements: English, French, pianoforte, and singing. Salary not so much an object as a cheerful home, in which she would be treated with kindness. Address, S. P. F., care of Rev. James Gunther, Mudgee.

SHIRT-MAKERS required, first-class only. Apply, with specimen shirt, Butler's manufactory, Market-street.

TO DRAPERS.—Wanted, a good HAND; also a smart JUNIOR. W. Baulke.

TO PRINTERS.—Wanted, a good JOBBING HAND. H. Thomas, West Maitland.

TO STONEMASONS.—Wanted, a small quantity of Cut Stone Work. Apply to the Director of the Botanic Gardens.

TEAMS WANTED, for six tons to ORANGE. Apply This day, from 10 to 12, at Star Hotel.

TEAMS wanted, to convey from Picton to Gundagai Iron Work for Bridge. Highest price given to carriers. Apply to George Fox and Co., at Sydney, or Picton.

TO WINE and SPIRIT MERCHANTS.—A Commercial Traveller, knowing both Southern, Northern, and Western roads, is disengaged, and would be happy for a RE ENGAGEMENT. Address G. R. J., Norton and Campbell streets, Glebe Point Road.

TO IRONMONGERS.—An Assistant of experience and recommendation is open for an ENGAGEMENT for 1st January; no objection to the country. Address, for a few days, Ironmonger, HERALD Office.

MEDICAL.—There is a good opening for a Medical Gentleman in the Township of Uralla, New England. Particulars can be known, by referring to Dr. Bercastle, Sydney; or to V. W., Uralla, New England.

WANTED, an experienced GOVERNESS. Must understand Music thoroughly. R. F. Stubbs, Balmain.

WANTED, a GIRL, about 16, to take charge of children and useful at her needle. 11, Lower Fort-st.

WANTED, TROUSERS and Shirts, all sorts; letters attended. W. Baynes, 267, Kent-st., and 57, King-st.

WANTED, 350 POSTS and RAILS. P. Andreas, 658, Brickfield-hill.

WANTED, to rent a STALL, for one horse, near Survey Office. Address G. C. T., HERALD Office.

WANTED, a single Man, as COACHMAN. Must know his work. Good reference, 171, William-st.

WANTED, good Cook and Laundress, and Nurse and Needlewoman. E. Chapman, 56, Pitt-street.

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